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heavy but to contemplate; let us ponder on the uncertainty of our time at most, let us look onward at the work we have laid out for our lives to do, and upward to that Power whose strength can strengthen and length of day to do it. Let us remember that our sight is not the same as His, who made us; that what a week seems done to us, to Him it is unfinished; and when most unfinished to us, to Him it is already done; that the thin thread of life wherewith we are so weary, the web of our daily work is often stained in the hand at high noon, and knots, and blemishes, and places overshot, together with the coiled spots and marks of careful toil, remain as we have left them until the time of the great showing; that deeds which are to us trivial have great influence, and in one moment tread too fast upon the heels of the other, burdened with its own weight of action so much, as to be unable to spare anything to rectify or alter. Yet while we are earnest, as these contemplations should make us, we can gain still another lesson, than that of our mortality from the one of our number, whose work has been so lately finished. We may learn that by the cheerful and conscientious discharge of our own duties, we encourage our fellow laborers in theirs, so that we go not like the galley slave accurged to his dungeon, but sustained and cheered with an unfaltering trust, like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him, and lies him down to pleasant dreams. The public life of Mr. EWING is known to us all, as well as in those of his own State where it most concerns. He was twice a member of the Legislature of Kentucky, twice elected to the Congress of the United States, thus demonstrating the belief of his people in his integrity, and their confidence in his ability. His personal acquaintance, and deep veneration for HENRY CLAY, his admiration of the great man's devotion to his friends, and steady pursuit of his own patriotic duty, which led him so much to emulate and imitate him, needs scarcely to be recalled to you. His talents were brilliant, his education classical, his social virtues, enriched by travel and humor, were eminently great, and withal "God gave him a generous and noble heart." In many chosen circles his loss is mourned as irreparable; and though his life has flitted across our horizon as bright and sudden as a shooting-star, its track is marked in our memory by the soft light of affectionate recollection that only the midnight cloud of death has power to obscure.

Mr. SMITH also bore testimony to the private and public character of the deceased.

The usual resolutions of regret were then passed, when the House adjourned until Monday.

WEATHER REPORTS.

A Fleet of Thirty Sailing Vessels Hemmed in by Ice.

CHEVELAN, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The steamer *North Star*, from Detroit, Monday, arrived here last night, and reports a fleet of thirty sailing vessels in the ice at "Put-in-Bay," and among the islands, where they will most probably have to remain until a thaw takes place.

CINCINNATI, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Ohio River is still very low. The weather is extremely cold.

BUFFALO, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The storm has abated here, but the weather is very cold. Our markets are quiet, at about previous rates. Oats in good demand at 41c.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The weather here to-day has been very cold and clear.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal is frozen up, and navigation has closed for the season.

We had a slight fall of snow here this morning, since then the weather has been clear and very cold.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 7.

Snow fell very heavily here for about half an hour this morning. It is now intensely cold.

The Board of State Canvassers.

ALBANY, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Board of State Canvassers called a meeting to-day, the Secretary of State and Comptroller being present. The Mayor and Recorder of this city were added to form a quorum. Without transacting any further business, the Board adjourned until to-morrow.

Peter Richings, the Traveller, Missing—Examination of the Murderer Kehoe—The Steamer Hero, &c.

ALBANY, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Detroit *Times* is informed by a gentleman from Cincinnati, that PETER RICHINGS with his wife and daughter, left that city for St. Louis on Tuesday last, and that soon after the boat got under way, Mr. RICHINGS was missed, and it was supposed he had gone ashore. A telegraphic message sent by his family from St. Louis to Cincinnati was answered, that nothing had been seen of him since the boat left. The impression now is that he was drowned at Cincinnati.

KEHOE, who was convicted at Toronto for the murder of his wife, was executed there on Monday.

The steamboat *Hero* left this city this afternoon for New-York loaded with freight, and having in tow a barge loaded with hay.

Heavy Forgeries.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Dec. 7.

Some extensive forgeries, amounting to some $60,000, committed by a prominent house-carpenter of this city, were discovered this morning—the buildings put up during the past year by him, including a large female seminary. The seizures have been made under the *lien* law by parties having claims for materials furnished.

The name of the forger is JACOB F. KEISLER.

Forged notes to the amount of six thousand dollars have been discovered, and liabilities in borrowed money and other fraudulent transactions, to upwards of forty thousand dollars. It is rumored that he has gone to Oregon.

Two police officers were arrested here to-day, by the name of ESSENDER and STANLEY, charged with arresting a black boy as a vagrant, and then selling him to a farmer in Carroll County as a slave.

Arrest of J. C. Cluer for being Concerned in the Burns Rescue Case.

BOSTON, Thursday, Dec. 7.

JOHN C. CLUER was arrested this morning, implicated as being concerned in the BURNS riot. FRANCIS JACKSON gave bail for him in the sum of $1,500, for his appearance at the March term of the Court.

Great Fire at Columbia, S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Thursday, Dec. 7.

A tremendous fire occurred in this city last night, destroying an entire block of buildings on Main-street. The following is a list of the principal sufferers:

Mr. MIOTT, druggist; SPIGNER, grocer; the Exchange Restaurant; CRAWFORD's clothing store; Carolina Hall; SQUIERS & BOWERS' furniture stores; CORSE' express office; numerous other offices; and the *Carolinian* newspaper and job office, owned by Messrs. R. M. GIBBES & Co., whose loss amounts to $40,000, uninsured. The other losses have not yet been ascertained.

The carriage repository of Messrs. BOLTWRIGHT & Co. was also destroyed, but their stock was saved.

The total loss is estimated at about $100,000, of which only one-third is insured.

Destruction of a Cotton Factory by Fire.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Ashland Cotton Factory, of Gwynn's Falls, near Woltersdorff, Baltimore County, belonging to a Company, of which THOMAS G. THOMAS was the President, was entirely destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is about $50,000, and is fully covered by insurance. A large number of hands were thrown out of employment by this calamity.

Destruction of the American Hotel at Medina.

MEDINA, Thursday, Dec. 7—9 P. M.

The American Hotel in this place, owned by L. A. and G. B. GRANT, and occupied by C. J. HOWE, was entirely destroyed by fire this evening. The loss is not known.

The Weather at Rochester—Wreck of Vessels on Lake Erie—The Genesee River Filling with Ice—Canal Boats Frozen in, &c.

ROCHESTER, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The weather has somewhat moderated here; but snow still continues falling, and it is now about forty inches deep on a level.

Several vessels have been wrecked near this place, on Lake Ontario, containing valuable cargoes, but as yet we hear of no lives being lost.

The mouth of the Genesee River is filling with ice very fast.

There are some twenty-five boats, loaded with wheat, between Rochester and Brockport, completely frozen in on the Erie Canal, and there are also some ten or twelve others a few miles up the Genesee Valley Canal, in the same predicament.

Teams started from here to-day to bring in wheat to be made into flour, when it will be sent East by railroad.

The Wreck of the Steamer Mayflower—Death of the Mayor of Detroit.

BUFFALO, Thursday, Dec. 7.

The steamer *Mayflower*, which was wrecked on the 24th of November at Point au Pelee, on Lake Erie has been abandoned. Arrangements are now being made to try and save her machinery. Her hull is broken in two across the centre. She cost originally $170,000, and had run for five seasons on the Michigan Central line. There was no insurance upon her.

We learn that JOHN LADUE, the Mayor of Detroit, died on Monday.

Explosion of a Steam-Boiler—Loss of Life

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Thursday, Dec. 7.

The steam-boiler in the Ames Manufacturing Company at Chicopee exploded this morning, instantly killing A. B. HOYT, the Engineer, and breaking the legs and otherwise injuring a machinist, named LUMMAS, so badly that he is not expected to recover. The small brick building which contained the boiler was completely demolished, and portions of the boiler are projecting through the walls of an adjoining building, used as a machine shop. The cause of this disaster was a lack of water in the boiler.

The Collision on the Central Railroad.

SYRACUSE, Thursday, Dec. 7.

At the collision on the New-York Central Railroad last night, near Clyde, the engines and cars were badly smashed, but no one was seriously injured. No trains have passed over the road to day.

The Southern Mail.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Dec. 7.

We have received no mail south of Washington this evening.

The Western Mails.

ALBANY, Thursday, Dec. 7.

We have received here the mails from Buffalo up to Wednesday, including the morning papers of that day.

Arrival of the Steamship Augusta at Savannah.

SAVANNAH, Tuesday, Dec. 5.

The steamship *Augusta*, from New-York, arrived here this morning, with all on board of her well.

Exchanges.

CINCINNATI, Thursday, Dec. 7.

Exchange is quite dull. Hogs have declined to four dollars and a half.

SCIENTIFIC LECTURES.

Prof. Guyot on the Alpine Glaciers.

Prof. GUYOT delivered his last lecture on Alpine Phenomena last night, before a large audience, in the lecture room of Clinton Hall. He resumed the subject of the Glaciers. The rocks at the head of the glaciers he said, are constantly undergoing a disintegrating process. Vast masses fall from them on the glacier, and move down with it, until at length they topple off at its further extremity. Their course of descent along the ice is extremely regular; they have beaten paths; several of these paths are found on the surface of a single glacier, but the rocks never intermingle. These rocks accumulate in vast quantities at the ends of the glaciers in a semicircular arrangement, owing to the fact that the centre of the glaciers moves more rapidly than the sides, and hence it assumes a semicircular form at its further extremity. These terminal accumulations often serve as an index to the former progress and extent of the glacier, as the space between where they lie and the end of the glacier is the measure generally of the amount of ice which had melted from the glacier in the interval occurring since their deposition. When the glacier extends itself, it pushes these heaps of rocks before it, until they sometimes rise up before it a perpendicular wall of 50 feet high. Sometimes these streams of rock, instead of rising from the head of the glacier where the parent rock stands, appear to begin in the middle of it. This is accounted for when we consider that these stones have fallen mostly during the Winter in high places where the snow is still in the crystalline state; so that instead of resting on the surface when they fall, they are buried several feet in the snow, and then they come down with the mass of the glacier, whose surface is being gradually melted, until they are at length laid bare. Sometimes the largest blocks are seen standing on columns of ice from eight to ten feet high. These columns are generally found underneath the large and flat stones. Exposure to heat and air soon melts them, especially at the south side, and they generally give way at the bottom. This phenomenon is caused by the melting of the surface of the glacier, save in those parts underneath the large blocks that have fallen from the rocks above. It has been observed that all these great rock courses are elevated above the surrounding surface, usually fifty or sixty feet high. The existence of these elevations is due to the protection which they afford to the ice beneath them. In walking over the glaciers, circular holes are observed, which, if not too deep to be sounded, will be found to have a little stone at the bottom. This is explained by the fact that the small dark masses of stone lying on the surface retain the sun's rays until they become heated the whole way through, and eventually when the under surface is warmer than the surrounding ice, they melt the frozen bed on which they lie, and in course of time make their way down into the ice ten or twelve feet. The smallness of these stones renders them capable of being heated in their whole mass, and thus the ice on which they lie is melted, while the heavier stones which the heat does not wholly penetrate protect the ice under them from being melted, and are in time left standing on the pillars. In the polished surface of the rocks over which the glaciers move may sometimes be observed longitudinal furrows, so regular that they seem to have been ganged out with an instrument. It is not the ice which polishes, but the hard frozen mud which covers the bottom of it, and acts as a sort of polishing powder. The hard kernels of sand or pebble that are sometimes mixed up with this mud, act on the surface of the rock by producing these furrows. The polish produced by the mud is exceedingly perfect, particularly if the rocks be limestone. One of the most remarkable phenomena of the glaciers was yet to be mentioned.

When rocks or foreign bodies fall into the crevices that are scattered over the surface of the glaciers, they reappear in course of time on the surface. The vulgar explanation of this is, that the glacier has the power of rejecting any impurity. But the true reason is very simple; these bodies sink ten or twelve feet, but as in course of time the surface melts away under the heat, the bodies that had fallen into the crevices are laid bare by the melting down of the surrounding ice.

Another, and the most interesting of all the Alpine phenomena, is the existence through all the country in the vicinity of the Alps of immense boulders, sometimes sixty feet long, and as many high, but their angles perfectly sharp and uninjured. These erratic blocks belong to quite different formations from those of the localities in which they are found; sometimes they appear 100 miles from the parent rock, and their distribution is confined not to the plains or valleys, but frequently they are found among the mountains 2,500 feet above the level of the plain. The theories of De SAUSSURE, VON BUCH, Sir RODERICK MURCHISON, and others, were referred to at length by the lecturer, and shown to be inconsistent with the circumstances by which the presence of these boulders is invariably accompanied. The lecturer adopted the theory of AGASSIZ, by which their existence is explained on the hypothesis that glaciers had existed in early times, by means of which these masses of rocks had been conveyed to their present resting places. To the investigation of this subject the lecturer had given seven years' constant observation and study, and the glacier theory was now established beyond all dispute or question. The presence of Long Island of numerous erratic rocks of a different formation from that of the Island itself, or the neighborhood, was explained in the same way.

The lecture was listened to with marked attention, and the lecturer, on concluding, was loudly applauded.

Five New Western States—Col. Benton's Lecture at Baltimore—The Great Pacific Railroad.

On Tuesday evening Mr. BENTON delivered at Baltimore, before the Maryland Institute and a vast assemblage of beauty, a lecture on the Physical Geography of the Country between Missouri and California, with a view to show its adaptation to settlement and the construction of a railway.

Mr. BENTON, in his lecture, of which the following is a sketch, set out with showing that the country between Missouri and California, in the latitude, or nearly in the latitude, of Maryland, is well adapted to settlement and cultivation, and capable of forming five great States. The line of large States now stretching half way across the continent, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri, may be matched by an equal number of States between Missouri and California.

Mr. BENTON takes for the first State the eastern part of the territory of Kansas, from the eastern frontier of the territory half way to the Rocky Mountains. It is composed of the well-watered valley of the Kansas, equal to that in Egypt in fertility, the valley of the Arkansas, equally well-watered but somewhat less fertile, perhaps, abounding in rock salt and coal, and between them a vast elevated prairie destined to become "the bucolic region of our America."

The second State would be formed of the western half of Kansas, in which lies the valley of the upper ARKANSAS, represented by FREMONT as well-watered and fertile, with a mild climate and short Winters. It is abundantly wooded. Of its benign climate and rich vegetation BEALE and HEAP give a most favorable description. These two States will each have a territory of fifty thousand square miles, and according to Mr. BENTON they will probably be ready for admission into the Union within the two next years.

For the third State Mr. BENTON takes a section of the Rocky Mountains from the 37th degree of north latitude to the 41st, extending two hundred miles east and west, making an area of sixty thousand square miles. This includes the fine broad upland valleys called the Three Parks, resembling that of Cœle-Syria in Asia, except that their breadth is greater. Besides these there is an endless labyrinth of small grassy valleys, with a mild climate, well watered, and overlooked by lofty mountains, one of which, *Pike's Peak*, is the Mont Blanc of this beautiful western Switzerland. The valleys are described by BEALE and HEAP as "the Indians' paradise."

For the fourth State Mr. BENTON takes the valley of the Upper Colorado, extending one hundred and fifty miles from the western base of the Rocky Mountains to the eastern base of the Wahsatch and Anterie ranges, with a length of three or four hundred miles from north to south. It has a fertile soil, looking thin and sandy to the eye, but sending forth a vigorous vegetation when impregnated with water. It wants only irrigation. The climate is mild, with a January like our autumn. This region forms a part of the territory of Utah, and the process of settling it with white inhabitants is already begun.

The fifth State comprises the remainder of Utah, and extends from the eastern base of the Wahsatch and Anterie ranges of mountains to the eastern boundary of California. It includes both the Great and Little Salt Lakes, the latter of which lies in the midst of a region far finer than that of the Great Lake. The evidences of the fertility of all these regions, and their desirableness as places of settlement, as quoted by Mr. BENTON from the accounts of travelers, is very ample.

Having established this proposition, Mr. BENTON proceeds to demonstrate that the country "is perfectly adapted to the construction of a railroad, and all sorts of roads, traversable in all seasons." On this point he says:

I have some direct and positive testimony on this head, which the importance of the subject, and the value of the testimony itself, requires to be produced. I speak of the last expedition of Colonel FREMONT—his Winter expedition of 1853-54—and of the success which attended it, and of the value of the information which it afforded. He chose the dead of Winter for his exploration, that he might see the worst—see the real difficulties, and determine whether they could be vanquished. He believed in the practicability of the road, and that his miscarriage in 1848-49, was the fault of his guide, not of the country; and he was determined to solve those questions by the test of actual experiment.

With these views he set out, taking the Winter for his time, the West for his course, a straight line his object, the mouth of the Kansas for his point of departure, St. Louis and San Francisco the points to be connected. The parallels of 38 and 39 covered his course, and between these he continued to move west until he reached the Little Salt Lake—within three hundred miles of the California line; after that, upon a slight reflection to the south, between the parallels 37 and 35, until he entered California. This may be called a straight line, and so fulfills a primary condition of every kind of road, and especially of a railroad, where a speed of a hundred miles an hour may be as easily attained and as safely run as the third of the velocity in a road of circuits and curvatures.

Snow was the next consideration, and of that he found none, on any part of the route, to impede any kind of traveling. On the Kansas, the Upper Arkansas and the Huerfano he found none at all; in the Sand Hill Pass of the Sierra Blanca, none; in the Cocchatopa Pass, four inches; and none if he had crossed the day before; and that was the 14th day of December, corresponding with the time, and almost in view of the place, where he had been buried in the snow five years before. This solved the question of snow in the passes of the mountains, and showed his miscarriage had been the mistake of the guide, and not the fault of the country. After that—after crossing the Rocky Mountains—the climate changes. A great amelioration takes place, which he knew before, and then fully experienced. The remainder of the route, as has been shown in the view of the country, may be said to have been found free from snow—a hundred miles at a time in one place without finding any; and when found at all, both thin and transient.

And that this was the common Winter state of the pass, and not an occasional exception, has been shown by Mr. ANTOINE LEROUX and others, and corresponded with his own theory of snow in the passes.

The Sierra Nevada was the last range of mountains; and there not a particle of snow was found in the pass which he traversed, while the mountain itself was deeply covered. And this disposes of the objection of snow on this route, so formidable in the view of those who have nothing but an imaginary view of it. Smoothness of surface, freedom from abrupt inequalities in the ground, in the next consideration, and here the reality exceeded the expectation, and even hopes, and challenges incredulity.

Here is a section of the route, above seven hundred miles long, being more than half the distance to California—in which there is no elevation to arrest the vision—in which you might look down in the wide distance, (if the eye-sight was long enough,) and see the frontier of Missouri from the mouth of the first pass in the first mountain—being more than half the length of the road. This would do for a start. It would satisfy the call for a fair surface at the commencement. This first pass is called the Sand Hill, or Rendezvous, through which FREMONT entered the valley of San Luis; and the way so low and level as to be seen through. And through that valley and its continuation, (the Sahwatah,) to the Cocchatopa the ground is so smooth as to present no exception to its level but the natural curvature of the earth.

More than forty loaded wagons went through it in the Summer of 1853, twenty of them guided by LEROUX for Captain GUNNISON, the rest by emigrant families, without guides. But more than that—the buffaloes have traveled it always.

This is enough to show that the Rocky Mountains may be passed without encountering a hill—that loaded wagons may cross it all seasons of the year. In a word, there is no difficulty about passes; the only bother is to choose out of so many, all so good, both in themselves and in their approaches. This is enough for the passes; with respect to the whole mountain region, and the facility of going through it, and upon different lines, we have also the evidence of facts which disposes with speculation and conjecture. That region was more times traversed, and on different routes, by Messrs. BEALE and HEAP in the Summer of 1853.

It happened thus: When they had reached the east fork of the Great Colorado of the West, and were crossing it, they lost, by the accident of an overturned canoe, their supply of ammunition, both for the gun and the mouth; and were forced to send back to the nearest settlement for a further supply. That nearest settlement was Taos, in New-Mexico, distant three hundred and thirty miles; and that distance to be made upon mules, finding their own food, which had already traveled, on the same condition, one thousand miles from the frontier of Missouri; and these mules, (thus already traveled long and hard, without other food than the grass offered,) now made the double distance at the rate of forty miles a day—still finding their own food; and on the return, bringing packs on their backs. This performance must stand for a proof that the whole mountain region between the Upper Colorado and the valley of the Upper Del Norte is well adapted to traveling; and that in a state of nature; and also well supplied with nutritious grass; and this closes us of the Rocky Mountains, from which to the Little Salt Lake it is all an open practicable way, not limited to a track, but traversable on any line. Loaded wagons travel it in a state of nature. The valley of the Colorado is other level or rolling; the Wahsatch and Anterie ranges are perforated by incessant valleys; and from the Little Salt Lake to the Great Sierra Nevada, as explored by FREMONT last Winter, the way is nearly level—a succession of valleys between the mountains—and terminated by a superb pass, debouching into the valley of San Joaquin.

This completes all that is necessary to be shown in favor of the smoothness of the way—its equality of surface, throughout the whole line; although it attains a great elevation—and leads you in California, in the rich and settled valley of San Joaquin, proximate to the southern end of the gold mines. Not a tunnel to be made—a mountain to be climbed—a hill to be excused—a swamp to be seen—or desert, or movable sand to be encountered in the whole distance.

Rivers to be passed are obstructions to roads, to be overcome by huge applications of skill and money; and here again the central route is most favorable. The entire line is only crossed in its course by the streams in the valley of the Upper Colorado, and these of inconsiderable width, with solid banks and stone for bridges. On this side of the Rocky Mountains the course of the rivers is parallel to that of the road—the Kansas, the Arkansas and the Huerfano being all in its line. Beyond the valley of the Colorado no river at all—only small streams.

All the other requisites for the construction and maintenance of a road, and to give it employment when done, has been shown in view of the country. Wood, water, stone, sand, iron; rich soil to make a settlement along the route, to give food, lodging and travel to all along its course, as well as at the great terminating points—and to protect it without Government troops.

And now I hold it to be in order of human events—in the regular progression of human affairs—that the road will be built, and that soon; not by public, but private means—by a company of solid men, asking nothing of Congress but the right of way through the public lands; and buying the way if not granted. Such an enterprise would be worthy of enlightened capitalists, who know how to combine private advantage with public good; and who would feel a laudable desire to connect their names with a monumental enterprise, more useful than the pursuits of political ambition, more glorious than the conquest of nations, more durable than the pyramids; and which being finished, is to change the face of the commercial world—and all to the advantage of our America.

The road will be made, and soon, and by individual enterprise. The age is progressive and utilitarian. It abounds with talent, seeking employment, and with capital, seeking investment.

But the road beyond the Mississippi is only the half of the whole; the other half is on this side, and either in progress or completed. Behold your own extended iron way departing from this city to reach the Ohio—crossing it to join the western trunk through Cincinnati, Vincennes, St. Louis—there to find the Pacific Road in progress to the western limit of Missouri. Behold the lateral roads from Pennsylvania, New-York, New-England, all pointing to the West, and converging to the same central track. And behold the diagonal central road to Virginia to traverse the State from its southeast to its northwest corner, already finished beyond the Blue Ridge, and its advanced pioneers descending the Alleghany, to arrive at the mouth of Big Sandy, in the very latitude of St. Louis, San Francisco, and Baltimore; and there to join the same great Central Western trunk. And the Blue Ridge Road of South Carolina, bound upon the same destination; and the roads of Georgia, pointing and advancing to the northwest.

What is the destiny of all these Atlantic roads, thus pointing to the West and converging upon the central track, the whole course of which lies through the centre of our Union, and through the centre of its population, wealth and power—and one end of which points to Canton and Jeddo—the other to London and Paris? What will those lateral roads become, in addition to their original destination? They will become parts of a system, bringing our Atlantic cities nearer to the Pacific coast than they were to the Blue Ridge in the time of canals and turnpikes. And what then? The great idea of COLUMBUS will be realized—though in a different and a more beneficial form. Eastern Asia is reached by going west, and by a road of which we hold the key! and the channel of Asiatic commerce which has been shifting its bed from the time of Solomon, and raising up cities and kingdoms wherever it went—(to perish where it left them)—changing its channel for the last time—to become fixed upon its shortest, safest, best, and quickest route, through the heart of our America—and to revive along its course the Tyres and Sidons, the Balbecs, Palmyras and Alexandrias, once the seat of commerce and empire; and the ruins of which still attest their former magnificence, and excite the wonder of the oriental traveler.

☞ We have received the prospectus of a new *Geographical and Commercial Gazette*, which it is proposed to publish monthly in this City. There is certainly a wide field for such a work, and we cannot doubt that the interest in the class of subjects to which it will be devoted is sufficient to ensure its success. It is to be published for the proprietors by Mr. J. DISTURNELL, and will be edited by an association of practical and scientific gentlemen.

☞ Mr. MCLAURIN delivered a lecture last evening before the Young Men's Christian Association on the art of Penmanship. He was assisted by Mr. S. P. ANDREWS. There was a fair attendance, and Mr. MCLAURIN's remarks and instructions appeared to elicit a good deal of attention.

☞ It is said that STRANG, the Mormon leader of Beaver Island, is elected to the Legislature of Michigan.

Prospects of Planting Slavery in Nebraska.

A great effort is made to quiet the public mind at the North, and get people to confirm the Douglas Nebraska bill, by making them believe that Slavery can never go into Kansas or Nebraska. We hope no Slave State will be made from either of those Territories—yet the effort will be made, and Slavery will not be kept out of either of those Territories without a struggle—indeed, it already exists in both. Several families from Virginia and Missouri have moved into Nebraska, near old Fort Kearney, (now Kearney City,) and have taken their slaves with them, and are holding them as such. Undoubtedly many slaves will be brought into Nebraska, and held there for a time at least.

It is common for the papers in this section to express great astonishment that any should be found so "green" as to have ever thought for a moment that Slavery could go into those Territories—yet some of these very editors were "green" enough to think so not many years ago. One of them remarked to your correspondent, that he saw nothing to prevent Kansas becoming a Slave State, yet his paper talks much of the iniquities of the Douglas bill, and how it forces Freedom. Think on the efforts to quiet the North to give the South a chance to work. But let the North continue to cower into these Territories her fairness, would she bring them from the dark stain of Slavery. YOUNG.

NOV. 22.—A very destructive fire has occurred this morning. The fire was discovered about 4 o'clock, in SPUTTMAN'S store, which was consumed with all its contents, and then others with it. From the other stores a large quantity of the goods were saved. There were the four largest stores in the place and were doing an extensive wholesale and retail business. Behind the stores a drinking and gaming house was burned. This we do not regret to lose. Those same establishments were burnt one year ago the present month, together with others which have not been rebuilt. I understand the greater part of the present loss is covered by insurance. S. E. R.

The Escaped Nun.

Many contradictory reports are published in reference to the escape of Miss BURKLEY, who recently left the nunnery at Emmitsburg. Below we give two statements, one by the young lady to a gentleman of Frederick, Md., the other by the lady superior. Miss BURKLEY writes thus:

NORFOLK, Monday, Nov. 20, 1854.

"————: I have my father's permission to answer the letter you addressed him, containing a statement of my escape from St. Joseph's. I would remark that I regret exceedingly that so many reports are in circulation, and have thought of making a public statement. With regard to my escape or leaving the Convent, the circumstances speak for itself. Could I have had permission, or been free to leave when I wished, I would not have had recourse to flight, and that in the still hour of night.

I escaped through a window near the chapel, fronting the avenue, where there is no enclosure, and ran or rather flew down the avenue, as the moon was shining so brightly that I feared being discovered by the watchman, who quietly surveyed the grounds around the building. When half way

REPORT

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 4, 1854.

SIR: In the annual report of the Navy Department, which I now have the honor to present, I have taken the liberty, in addition to the usual statement of the operations of the squadron, and the general condition of the service and the public property, to recommend a still further general increase of the Navy, and to express freely my views of the great importance of its reorganization, and the enactment of new regulations for the discipline and improvement of seamen. If they are urged with seeming pertinacity, my only apology is a deep interest in the magnitude of the subject and a conviction of the necessity of legislative interposition.

SQUADRONS.

The vessels composing the Home Squadron are the frigate *Columbia*, the flag-ship, Commander G. J. WELSON; the sloops-of-war *Albany*, Commander J. T. GUNBY; *Falmouth*, Commander T. D. SHAW; and the steamers *Princeton*, Commander HENRY EAGLE; and *Fulton*, Lt. Com. J. K. MITCHELL. Commodore J. E. NEWTON still commands the squadron. The cruising of the vessels of the squadron has been principally among the West India islands and along the coasts bordering on the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico.

The *Columbia* returned to Norfolk in obedience to orders from the Department, and on the 25th June sailed under instructions to Commodore NEWTON on special duty to St. Domingo. Having thoroughly surveyed Ouy or Gaimas and ascertained its depth and character, and examined the localities in its vicinity with reference to France for a convenient depôt for naval purposes, the *Columbia* returned to Pensacola, and is now under orders to proceed to San Juan de Nicaragua, conveying to that port Mr. WHEELER, U. S. Minister resident to Nicaragua, and Mr. MARTIN, U. S. Minister resident to Guatemala. The *Princeton*, Commander EAGLE, sailed from Norfolk on the 21st October for Pensacola, and will proceed on her cruise as a part of the Home Squadron.

The *Albany*, Commander GUNBY, in pursuance of the orders of the Commodore, has been actively cruising during the entire year, having visited, among other places of less note, Omoa, Truxillo, St. Thomas, Laguayra, Curacoa, Carthagena, Aspinwall, San Juan, Port Royal, and Savanna la Cama. She has done good service, and Commander GUNBY and his officers merit the approbation of the Department, as I have reason to know that the appearance of our flag at these points, and the bearing of the officers, contributed much to the encouragement and protection of our citizens engaged in commercial transactions in those quarters. The last official intelligence received from the *Albany* was the 25th of September, from Aspinwall, informing the Department that on the evening of her leaving Aspinwall, and no tidings of her having been received, it is not unusual that a patriotic anxiety should be felt touching her safety. The prevalent opinion is that she has encountered serious injuries from encountering storms, recently prevalent in her cruising ground, and that she has put into some port for repairs. With a view to obtaining information and affording relief, the steamer *Princeton* left Pensacola some days ago in search for the *Albany*—the Department wishing to ascertain the ascertained, she is safe.

The *Falmouth*, which sailed the 25th of April was under the command of Lieut. JAMES M. WATSON, was in good service, and having visited many of the ports of the West Indies, returned to the United States. On the 15th May sailed New-Orleans under the command of Lieutenant Commander J. T. BUNCE, to the port of Vera Cruz. Hon. Mr. GADSDEN, our Minister to Mexico, and bearer of the treaty recently concluded between the United States and Mexico, where she remained until the treaty was ratified, and then returned to the port of Washington, where she has since been necessarily detained and is now ready for service. The practicability of intercourse and communication by the construction of a ship-canal across the Isthmus of Darien, between Caledonia Bay on the Pacific Ocean, and the Gulf of San Miguel, on the Pacific, has long been a subject of much speculation and controversy among men of science and learning. The magnitude of the work and wonderful results which would be necessarily accomplished might appear upon the commerce of the world, and more especially upon the commerce between our Atlantic and Pacific possessions, induced the Department, with your approbation, to select the services of an intelligent and enterprising officer of the Navy, Lieutenant J. G. TOWNS, was volunteered to undertake the arduous duty. The Caribbean Sea being selected with the home squadron as a cruising ground for the Home Squadron, the Department selected the *Cyane*, Commander HOLLINS, might with great propriety, at the same time, take proper soundings of Caledonia Bay, and at the same time, while had been ascertained, examine convey any city that might endeavor to engage in the arduous and interesting enterprise. Passed Midshipman THATCHER, First Assistant Engineer J. H. HANEY, Midshipman H. H. GARLAND, and a few officers and seamen from the crew of the *Cyane*, also volunteered to embark in the adventure. The permission of the New-Granadian Government having been cheerfully given, the *Cyane* sailed from Philadelphia in December last, and arrived at San Sacramento, Caledonia Bay, on the 17th of January, the party were landed, and proceeded to examine the country and ascertain its depth and character, and examine the localities in its vicinity with reference to France for a convenient depôt for naval purposes, the Commodore returned to Pensacola, and is now under orders to proceed to San Juan de Nicaragua, conveying to that port Mr. WHEELER, U. S. Minister resident to Nicaragua, and Mr. MARTIN, U. S. Minister resident to Guatemala. The *Princeton*, Commander EAGLE, sailed from Norfolk on the 21st October for Pensacola, and will proceed on her cruise as a part of the Home Squadron.

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NEW-YORK CITY

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1853.

Mr. Graham called on the court on a motion in the case of Lockwood vs. Mr. Graham said that he proposed by the witness to prove that William Childs came to him in the presence of the teacher, Solomon Childs, the defendant, and charged to him, (Hale,) that Solomon Childs had been guilty of unjustifiable cruelty to his wife, and invited the witness that he felt Solomon penitent, and was under a state of religious excitement for the outrage, and that if his wife would try him, he would prove himself to be an affectionate husband to her; that this proposition was communicated by the witness to the plaintiff, and her counsel advisers rejected it; that then William Childs proposed to allow this case to go by default, stating that Solomon would acquiesce in a judgment for divorce, provided he was liberated from the maintenance of his child.

The Court ruled the evidence to be admissible.

The Court adjourned until Thursday, at 10 A. M.

[NOTE.—The date of Solomon Simpson's letter, in yesterday's paper, should have been 1850 instead of 1851.]

EIGHTH DAY—THURSDAY, Dec. 5.

The Court met at 10 o'clock, both counsels, Mrs. Childs, being assisted by her mother and a large assemblage of spectators, being present. Mr. Childs was absent, as was stated by his counsel, on account of sickness.

The following evidence was elicited:

Samuel Swenger for the defence, sworn: I am a merchant at No. 7 Liberty-street, New-York; some-where between May 6 and May 13, 1853, I went to the house of Belle Forrest, No. 51 Crosby-street, kept by Belle Forrest, in company with Mr. William Childs and Mr. Morris Cohen; I knew the time because Mr. Cohen was going to Europe, and we flew out as a place to get a certificate from the Grand Lodge in Broome street; I remember the date also, because Mr. William Childs at that time bought a watch of me for his intended; he bought on May 16; at that time William Childs was stopping at the Irving House; I looked on the Irving House Register of that date and saw his name entered in it; when we went into the house of Belle Forrest we went into the front parlor, where we drank some wine; while we were there Mr. Childs went to the opening into the back parlor and there conversed with Belle Forrest.

Cross-examined—The time between May 6 and 13; I did not see Mr. Childs in April of that year; by looking over the books I can tell when I saw him before that time.

The cross examination was here suspended for the witness to bring his books into court, in order to ascertain the dates.

Mr. Graham again proposed to call Mr. Hass to the stand as a witness, on the ground that the Court had decided that anything which would show that a witness was capable of telling a falsehood under oath was admissible, and he desired to show by the testimony of this witness that William Childs' declaration was inconsistent with his testimony.

The Court excluded the testimony.

Mr. Graham then asked that William Childs be called for cross-examination upon a particular point, with a view of having the same to militate against his evidence.

The Court declined not to admit the evidence.

Mr. Graham then recalled Solomon Simpson to the stand.

He testified as follows:

I was present when the affidavit of the 19th April, 1850, was given to my Emily Moore; after the affidavit was taken by Mr. Sage, the notary, it was deliberately read over and explained to her by Mr. Sage, prior to her signing; I saw Solomon Childs there with Emily Moore prior to her signing this affidavit; when I asked her if the lady Victoria Childs she said she knew a Childs but did not know what his first name was; she said he had told her that he was a married man and had a wife in New-York; she said she went the last reference to went to school every day about 12 o'clock, and he would come to her house; she would point out the man who had referred to; I found she had conversed with about two or three hundred gentlemen; I asked her if there was another person with him; I asked her where was she referred to; she said the little man; the little man was Solomon Childs, and I told her so; she said very well, she would meet her officers of it, which she did next morning; I do not know who the other gentleman was; I was standing in Emily Moore's house, across the alley from Belle Forrest's, towards Fourth-street, on the lower side of Fourth-street; there was no conversation between the persons; the divorce from the place where I saw them was a dispatch line across the street; I have no doubt about his being Solomon Childs, the other gentleman was not his brother, Mr. William Childs.

Cross-examined—This was in April or May—April, I think, 1850; I did not go there at that time particularly on business; I went with the view of satisfying myself; I had been there in 1849; I only recollect one occasion; I was there twice, and in 1851, on business; I do not know the exact distance from Emily Moore's to the house of Belle Forrest; I could not measure the distance; I did not know the gentleman with whom I had been before; I was guided to the place, partly by the peculiarity of his walk; they were passing at that time on Fourth-street, and saw the Fourth-street; there was no one with me but Emily Moore; they were passing along the street, between me and the further side; Fourth-street is the boundary of Greenwich.

Samuel Swenger recalled—(Witness appeared on the stand with a memorandum taken from his books.)

Mr. Graham objected, on the ground that the witness left the Court with an understanding that he should bring the books into Court.

Witness said that he had brought his books into Court, and that he had brought his books into Court, and that he had brought his books into Court, and

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Congressional.

There was but little business done in either House yesterday. In the Senate the pay of Mr. ATCHISON, as Vice-President, was attended to, and a petition from Mr. E. E. CORCORAN, praying that further provision be made for the protection of life and property on ocean-going vessels, was received and referred. After some additional, but unimportant business, a message was received from the House, communicating its proceedings on the death of Hon. PRESLEY EWING, of Kentucky, on the conclusion of the reading of which, and after remarks on the high character and estimable qualities of the deceased, the Senate adjourned.

In the House a number of bills were introduced and referred; and the usual resolutions of regret were passed, after the announcement of the death of Hon. PRESLEY EWING. The House then adjourned.

Increase of the Navy Demanded.

"Even with the addition of the unfinished six steam-frigates, our Naval force will not exceed fifty vessels in operation for Service."

So says Secretary DOBBIN in his Navy Report. Fifty vessels, and what work is there for them to do! A seacoast on the east to be guarded, that stretches from the latitude of Halifax to within two and a half degrees of Havana; and another on the west that reaches from the possessions of our most jealous rival to those of a near neighbor who has long nursed a growing breed of injuries. We have harbors to protect in which our Commerce gathers her richest stores,—rivers which drain the wealth of the Continent. We want a squadron always hovering along our coast—continuous that will permit no possible danger to approach us unannounced. We want ships to protect our fishermen on the Northeast and our merchantmen everywhere. The key to the Gulf of Mexico is in other hands than ours. To keep safe our possessions there, we ought never to lack vigilant men-of-war in that quarter. France has lately reinforced her naval force on the West India station; but before the reinforcement she was better prepared there than we are to defend her rights. On the Pacific the fleets of the Allies and the CZAR are continually passing to and fro, and our parts are familiar with the sight of foreign frigates where our own are strangers. We want ships enough about the Hawaiian Islands to convince Central MIDAS that whatever action our Government has taken, can be maintained and defended against even his protests and his country's policy. We want no more such disreputable tales to go out of us as were told when news of the wreck of the *San Francisco* was brought in, "and there was not in all our ports a single Government vessel ready to rescue her." We want no more Ministers to China to decline their appointments because their only mode of conveyance to their posts is by British men-of-war. We want a navy able to defend us in time of war, and in peace to redress all serious grievances—to back up and enforce all resolutions that a due regard to our interests deliberately adopts. It is well enough for a householder, whose doors are bolted and locked, by whose bed that a stout bell-rope, and under his pillow a loaded six-shooter, to defy the assaults of those who covet his cash. Unarmed men, however, are most prudent when they are most peaceful and modest. But we are given over to generations. We have a passion for taking islands and empires that other folks have claimed. It is only decently wise, then, to make tight our "wooden walls," and be sure that they are sufficient to flank all our weaker parts.

It would really be a sad thing to meditate—the contrast of our interests requiring protection and the feeble means which our Navy presents to defend them. We have spent $150,000,000 to create a Navy, and have only the apology of a Navy to show for the expense. But there are one or two consolations left. There are all the materials close at hand for the construction of as many frigates as any emergency might require. Our forests are yet black with abundant timber for building. Of all articles needed in the construction we have plenty, and of men who can turn out in the same craft models both for speed and strength no land can make louder or better-grounded boasts. Then, for still more sudden demands, we have a mercantile steam-marine that a few days would convert into a noble and invincible fleet. In the year 1853, in these States, 66 steamers were launched, which averaged 1,000 tons each. So it is not worth while for us to go into a fit of despondency, or for any of our neighbors to grow impertinently officious, or to put on airs, although Secretary DOBBIN rates our Navy as inferior to that of many inferior Powers. Still, as a man would not go into battle carrying a sword-cane, so we cannot feel armed against the possibilities of such squally times as these, with only fifty vessels-of-war and an innumerable fleet of stout and worthy steamers that were built to prosecute peaceful errands. Let us have a Navy to match our coasting. If other steamers are to be built, now is the time, when labor is cheap and hundreds are suffering for lack of work. It is a strange argument for a statesman to use,—but Mr. DOBBIN does use it, and it argues no less for his statesmanship than his humanity. Says he:

"Every dollar" in building a Navy "is expended among our own people in the purchase of material and payment of operatives in every trade and calling, of one country, whose prosperity and thrift augmentation, is due to our wide and liberal system of free industry. We with visits our New York, and there a moment it, including the plant frames of the noble ships now being constructed by the genius, the labor, and with the material of our own country, will find that the money expended not merely results in potentizing a floating battery to protect our property and our flag, but gladdens the hearts of hundreds of cheerful artisans, who pay it back into the Treasury with *fourfold interest*. It is not wasted capital; it is not like the millions annually sent abroad to foreign capitalists to pay the debts contracted for schemes of extravagance, leaving embarrassment in its trail."

These are appreciable sentiments for the hard times.

Mail Security.

Almost every mail-bag posted across the country is stuffed with letters of more or less importance. Sink it in the river or consume it with fire, and a thousand and disappointments result. One letter, perhaps, has a draft in it worth a thousand to the man whose superscription it bears. Failing to receive it, he curses the stupidity of his correspondent, and sets him down as untrustworthy; but in the course of a month it all comes right. Another may have within it a tattered bank bill of small denomination; failing to come to hand, some promised visit must be postponed, some lone widow must practice a little more economy, and be satisfied with still less of those comforts which we, who enjoy them plentifully, call necessaries. But in the missing mail there may be another—a scrawl, blotted and defaced, which has no money in it—but lost; the loss sinks deeper into the heart than if eagles or bank bills had perished: it was in answer to a promise which now will seem never to have been fulfilled. Bright hopes have been burned or drowned with it—hopes that were cherished as no less dear than life have been extinguished. The money value is no criterion to judge the worth of a letter by. We have no competent measurement for such values.

Postmaster-General CAMPBELL in his late report recommends means to make the mails safer. The complaint of lost letters is one of daily occurrence. There is not a month or day in the year that the complaint is not preferred. Large sums of money are dispatched by mail which never reach their destination. Officers of the United States take them in trust, but if they are lost it is exceedingly difficult to discover who is the careless or guilty agent. Meanwhile, there is no remedy for the loser. The missing package may as well have been delivered into the hands of some wandering Bedouin as of the irresponsible agents of Uncle Sam. This is not as it should be, certainly. One would suppose that the Government ought to be as responsible for the trusty performance of its engagements as private individuals are. The Postmaster General insinuates that many losses are charged upon the departments which never occur. Of course, before one who sends or professes to send money by mail can recover in case of a loss, he should be obliged to bring reliable evidence of the facts alleged. And, so guarded, we are unable to divine a reason why so rich a body as Uncle Sam should not be held to the performance of his engagements as any common carrier is,—especially when he insists upon a monopoly of the carrying, and threatens heavy penalties to those who take the job off his hands. It seems to us that there is a reform here called for, which the proposal of the Secretary does not go deep enough to reach.

What he proposes is to establish a registry for valuable money letters at the office where they are mailed; receipts are to be given and descriptions forwarded separate from the package containing the letters, and in consideration of this added security an additional fee is to be paid by the depositor. Some such plan is said to work well in Great Britain, and it doubtless would prevent some losses. On the other hand it would inflict much additional labor on postmasters, require more time and many additional clerks, without making any more safe the great bulk of unregistered letters. It does not purpose to make the Department responsible for losses, but it would help to indicate the guilty parties through which they occur. In the very disreputable and proverbial insecurity of the mails, all will hope of Congress that it will look carefully into this proposition, and if it promises even a small improvement, will adopt it. Small favors will be gratefully received in this line.

Fifty Years of Newspaper Life.

The *National Intelligencer* made note of the remarkable circumstance a few days since, that the Member of Congress from the Marietta, Ohio, District, had just called at the office, to pay the *fiftieth* annual subscription of an old and continuous subscriber to the paper, residing in that district. For nearly the whole of this long period his newspaper intercourse has been with a single firm of publishers and editors—Messrs. GALES & SEATON. The compliment, creditable on his part, as affording the highest proof of his own good judgment and steady appreciation, was most worthily bestowed. The *Intelligencer*, as its name imports, has ever been one of the *National* institutions of the Federal Metropolis. Its Republican course has been an undeviating one—true to the country and the Administration of MADISON in the war of 1812-15; among the first to advocate the American System, established under the auspices of CALHOUN and CLAY, after the peace, in the able Congress of 1816; faithful to the same system of public improvement and domestic industry under every subsequent change of Administration and personal position; unyielding to the storm of Jacksonianism which displaced one of the truest and wisest statesmen of the country—by the defeat of JOHN QUINCY ADAMS for a second term of the Presidency; and preserving, for nearly thirty years since that event, a dignified and uniform opposition to the false theories and political nostrums of the new Democracy then inaugurated; the venerable editors have been a representation for fidelity and consistency which the whole country must respect, and which thousands of old friends and new, like their Ohio subscriber, honestly appreciate.

Another semi-centennial event in newspaper life has just been commemorated, and more impressingly, by a public banquet at the Burnet House in Cincinnati, given by the proprietors of the Cincinnati *Gazette* on the fiftieth anniversary of its establishment. The feature of this interesting occasion was the reminiscences which a review of these fifty years, in the Great West, called up. The history of the *Gazette* is the history, not of the State alone in which it is published, but of the Northwestern Territory, as all the country west of the Ohio and north of Kentucky was known on its first establishment. The State had been but recently inaugurated. The undivided territory was almost a wilderness. The period since elapsed, though comparatively a brief one in a Nation's age, has been prolific of wonderful changes in the West, not the least remarkable of which is the multiplication and improvement in the newspaper press, of which the *Gazette* has been a steady and most worthy type. The banquet was presided over by Mr. SCHOULER, the present chief Editor, and was attended by many of the best men of Ohio and Kentucky. The Ohio River was bridged by good fellowship, and the conventional line of North and South for the time obliterated by genuine national sentiment. Some of the old publishers and editors were present, and others sent their notes of regret. The dead of their catalogue were appropriately remembered, and the living contributors to the columns of the paper and to Western literature warmly welcomed. Altogether, the event was one of more than mere local interest, happily illustrating one of the volunteer sentiments of the occasion, that the Press, through a "power in the State not enumerated in Magna Charter, is recognized and recorded in the public mind."

Fears and Hopes for Kansas.

The Jackson *Mississippian* is in excellent spirits. He has seen Dr. MIDDLETON, one of his neighbors, who has been out to the Kansas Territory to take an observation of its capabilities, and study the signs of its promise. The Doctor found fertile regions and such scenery as is pictured in books for the drawing-room. He found just the soil that is needed for raising tobacco and grain. As a hemp-growing country, even Kentucky cannot beat it. The KANSAS River runs nearly through the heart of it, while the majestic Missouri takes in washing on its eastern borders.

Then the Doctor finds a social and political promise no less flattering than the physical one. Squatters have taken some thirty or forty thousand claims already. And of the settlers, two to one, he thinks, are pro-Slavery men. The Missourians of course are in for the "Christianizing institution." Large relays of pro-Slavery men are hoped for from Kentucky this Fall, and many of the settlers from Indiana and Illinois he affirms to be in favor of Slavery. Our Jackson editor warms with his genial subject. He says:

"A great object will be achieved should a Slave State spring up on the western borders of Missouri. The West will then be open to us. We will hold in our hands the key to that immense domain, and no power can loosen our hold upon it but an unpropitious climate and an ungrateful soil. With Kansas as a Slave State, the equilibrium of the Union may still be preserved. In the branch of the National Legislature in which all the States are equally represented, without regard to their wealth or population, the South can still maintain equal strength with the North. In the meantime, new accessions to her strength may be made from the territory acquired with Texas; and, mayhap, the gem of the Antilles will glitter, ere long, in the galaxy of Southern States. The recent elections in California indicate a conservative feeling in that quarter on the subject of Slavery; and a proposition is now pending for a division of the State, with a view to the introduction of Slavery."

He expresses great confidence that the Pro-Slavery party will carry the Fall elections, but fears that, after these, there will be a rush from the Free States sufficient to turn the tide and shape—oh, dire calamity!—the political institutions after the model of Freedom. The elections have resulted as the prophet foretold. Now, let the *friends* of Freedom profit by his apprehensions, and rush in to save Kansas from the curse.

Consul General Miller and his Country.

A correspondent of the Editor of the Burlington *Free Press*, writing from Honolulu, mentions some interesting facts concerning Gen. MILLER. He says that the Consul General who was so anxious to have the annexation question "wait until he could hear from his country," "is an old man and irritable;—he has been accustomed to unquestioned authority in his previous military service in Peru, and he suffers much, at times, from the effects of old wounds, one of them a ball through the lungs, *received at the battle of New-Orleans.*"

We ought not then to make too much noise about the old gentleman's impertinent speech. Much is to be forgiven to a regular Englishman who has been tapped by a Yankee bullet. It is still a question, however, if the irritable Consul does not only too fairly represent the Government to which he is accredited. John Bull himself is "old and irritable." He has been "accustomed to unquestioned authority" wherever the sun shines, unless some one more powerful happens to be there with arms and ammunition sufficient to question him with proper dignity. Old John suffers too "from the effects of old wounds." He carries in his lungs some ounces of Yankee lead, and it makes him fretful. It is not pleasant to insist upon points that our neighbors dislike to yield; but when matters of duty are under consideration, and such a clump of islands as the Hawaiian are knocking at our door, it will not do to leave them shivering outside simply because Consul MILLER is irritable or John Bull is out of sorts.

City Children.

City Children are well cared for, when the Children's Aid Society can get access to them. The amount of good which has been accomplished during the past year by a single School under the auspices of this Society, is set forth in the report of the annual meeting at the school-building, published in another column. Nearly three hundred children are upon the register of the Oliver-street establishment. They have, in nearly every instance, been gathered from the lowest purlieus of the Fourth Ward, and, by dint of hard work and great patience, coupled with a dinner daily, gratis, and an occasional present of clothing, they have been brought to ideas of civilization, which they would never have imbibed had they remained in the filth and misery of their old haunts.

The Oliver-street School owes much to the benevolent assistance of a distinguished merchant of the City, who has tendered to the Association, free of charge, the premises now occupied for purposes of instruction. The report of the year exhibits a small balance in hand, and contributions are cheerfully awarded. We commend the School and its kindred institutions in different parts of the City, to the notice of the charitable. The enterprise is worthy of every encouragement.

MORE BANK DEFAULTERS.

Arrest of the Fugitive Teller of the Ocean Bank—Defalcation of $25,000 by the Market Bank Teller.

For a long time, several police officers of this City, have been actively engaged in various parts of the South and West, in search of the absconding teller of the Ocean Bank, WM. B. MCGUIGAN, who decamped with some $150,000 belonging to the Institution. It was supposed the defaulter was wending his way southward, and the steamers from New-Orleans, Havana and elsewhere, have been watched very closely. It seems that officer RALPH PATTERSON, and Sergeant MANSFIELD received certain information concerning the whereabouts of the fugitive, which led them to visit Jersey City at an early hour yesterday morning. The accused arrived there in the 3 o'clock train from Philadelphia in company with his brother, and both parties put up at a hotel under the name of BROWSTER. The proprietor having seen MCGUIGAN before, immediately recognized him as the teller of the Ocean Bank, and forthwith gave information to an officer, by whom he was arrested and conveyed to this City, when he was taken before Judge BEBEE for examination. On searching his carpet bag, it was found to contain a brace of Colt's six-barreled pistols, also a bag containing $2,200 in gold and a quantity of paper. On his person was found a pocket book containing about $200, and a gold watch.

Mr. JOHN R. BRADY appeared for the prisoner, who stated that he was not ready for an examination, and that he would like a postponement until Saturday. O. W. STUYVESANT and JAMES R. WHITNEY, who appeared for the bank, being engaged on that day, they postponed it until Monday. A gentleman appeared to make a claim for the watch of $200, but Judge BEBEE thought it was best to first see these gentlemen, and if so the watch could be returned on Monday. The prisoner was then temporarily committed until the day of hearing. He appeared very nervous and greatly excited.

DEFALCATION IN THE MARKET BANK.

Yesterday morning the principal officers of the Market Bank, in Pearl-street, discovered that WM. P. SACKETT, the receiving teller, has proved a defaulter to the amount of $25,000. He managed this by balancing his books fraudulently. The first information of the fraud was obtained through the assistant receiving teller, who observed the discrepancy in SACKETT's account and last Sunday morning informed the Secretary of the Bank. This led to an immediate investigation of the books, which furnished sufficient grounds for SACKETT's arrest. He was taken into the custody of a Committee of the Bank on Monday last, but has not yet been handed over to the officers of justice. The Directors of the Bank are awaiting the arrival of SACKETT's father, who resides on Long Island, when an examination will take place.

SACKETT has a wife and one child, and resides in Brooklyn. The Bank think they will secure a portion of the amount taken, and that their loss will not exceed $15,000.

Operatic.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The last performance of the "Favorita," and the last appearance but one of MME. ORSINI and Signor MARIO in this country, takes place to-night. It is not at all creditable to the New-York public that these great artistes are permitted to leave before the completion of the season originally contemplated. What little can be done to make the last two nights brilliant will, we trust, be done. The first essential is a crowded house.

Musical.

Miss THERESA EGMONDE gave her farewell readings at Hope Chapel last evening. Her selections were from the "Irish National Poets." She read remarkably well. The audience was large and enthusiastic. Miss E. is about making a professional tour in the Eastern States.

Boiler Explosion.

On Wednesday night, the boiler of a 21 horse power engine in a building owned by Mr. E. W. JOHNSON, Nos. 18 and 19 Harvard-place, Boston, exploded, bursting out the doors and windows of the building, tearing down the signs and forcing the steps completely across Washington-street. Fortunately there were no persons injured.

☞ The Boston *Advertiser* argues the fruitlessness of Dr. J. V. C. SMITH's Mayoralty, notwithstanding his excellent promises. The Doctor being the K. N. candidate for reelection, is pretty sure.

From Texas.

The Texas papers received yesterday furnish further intelligence, as follows: The Brazoria *Planter*, of the 23d, reports seven feet of water on the bar at the mouth of the Brazos. The *Planter* learns that Major MCFARLANE, an old and much respected citizen of Brazoria County, has purchased the materials of the *Tribune* office at Matagorda, and will commence the publication of a paper there about the 1st of January.

In relation to the sugar crop, the Columbia *Democrat*, of the 21st inst., says: From every place but one that we have heard from, our sugar planters are making more sugar and a superior article than they made last year. Indeed, the sugar on most plantations this year will rank higher than any heretofore made in this country. The amount is not quite as much as was anticipated during the Summer, but it will rise at least a thousand hogsheads above the entire crop of last year, if we may judge from the reports of the planters and overseers.

The Lavaca *Register* reports from us, that place on the 12th and 13th inst., which completely killed Yellow Jack. The fever only lasted about three weeks in Lavaca, during which time eleven cases proved fatal. The town is now perfectly healthy. Only 2,454 bales of cotton were received at Lavaca from the 1st of September to the 10th inst.

THE NEW-YORK TIMES.

Daily, Semi-Weekly and Weekly Editions.

THE NEW-YORK DAILY TIMES has just entered upon the fourth year of its publication, under circumstances in the highest degree encouraging to the Conductors. In the extent and character of its circulation,—in reputation as a prompt and reliable Newspaper, and in the degree of public favor which it has acquired by the discussions of topics of public discussion, it has greatly surpassed the most sanguine expectations of its projectors. It has now a regular circulation of over 36,000 copies, which is steadily and steadily increasing,—and its advertising patronage is highly gratifying and satisfactory.

The Proprietors of the TIMES feel that in appealing to the public for a continuance and an increase of the favor they have so abundantly extended to it hitherto, they can refer to the past as a guarantee for the future. They aim first of all to make the TIMES an NEWSPAPER inferior to none in New-York City or in any part of the United States. They will spare no expense nor any labor necessary to procure the fullest, the latest, the fullest, and most reliable information, upon all subjects that may enlist public interest and attention. The Correspondence of the TIMES, both Foreign and Domestic, is especially copious and attractive,—enlisting in its service some of the ablest and most accomplished writers connected with the press in any part of the world. In its Congressional and Legislative reports,—its accounts of public meetings,—its record of Personal, Literary, and General Intelligence, it will not be surpassed by any journal of the day.

In its Political and Social discussions, the TIMES will adhere steadily and firmly to the course it has hitherto pursued. It neither claims to speak the sentiments, nor will it consent to follow the dictates, of any party, nor is it devoted to the interests of any man or of any faction. It is, and will remain, independent of parties, and regardless of mere party objects,—pursuing such a course, in all respects and on all subjects, as shall seem to its Editor best calculated to promote the public welfare, and to advance the great principles of Republican Freedom and of Christian Morality, on which all social and all civil good must always depend. It will urge and advocate Education, Industry, Temperance, Economy, equal and exact Justice to all men, submission to Law, devotion to Civil Order, the Love of Liberty and of the Union, adherence to the Constitution in its letter and in its spirit, the development and strengthening of a truly American sentiment, respect for the religious, social, and personal rights of all classes, and that general culture and elevation of the public spirit on which, far more than on specific measures, the advancement of Society depends. While it claims the right to discuss every subject of public interest and importance, and to present its own views upon them all, it will exercise this right with due respect for others whose opinions may be different, and with that just regard for public sentiment essential to public usefulness. It will seek in all things to substitute Reason for Dogmatism,—appeals to judgment instead of passion,—and a reliance upon the sound patriotism, morality and common sense of the People, instead of the prejudices, the selfishness, or the vanity of individuals. It will advocate all just and salutary Reforms;—will denounce abuses wherever they may exist;—urge economy, efficiency, and an intelligent regard for the public good in every department of the public service;—resist all unjust aggression upon the rights, the institutions, and the sentiments of every section; and in all things aim to promote harmony of sentiment and unity of effort among all the friends of rational Freedom, of sound Morality and of universal Education. While there will be no deviation from the conduct of the paper hitherto in these respects, every effort will be made to give it additional strength and interest in every department.

The Editorial management of the TIMES will continue to be hereafter, as it has been heretofore, under the exclusive supervision and control of HENRY J. RAYMOND, assisted in its various departments by accomplished and experienced writers.

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Benefit of Lady	5		
Total			$18

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For two young ladies	$6
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Mr. Wise's Letter of Acceptance.

Mr. WISE accepts the nomination of Governor, in the following letter addressed to the Committee:

RICHMOND, VA., Monday, Dec. 4, 1854.

GENTLEMEN: I have received your notification that the Democratic Conventions which met at Richmond have nominated me for the office of Governor of the State of Virginia. I am grateful to the Convention for this honor, and, with a few points of the resolutions, accept its nomination. I have stood, standing, confident in the Democratic principles and the Democratic creed of Virginia, that I have not defied of either the sacred roll of "the glorious Old Dominion." But the friends of our faith must remember that when they have produced here some their sentiments of the Democracy, a task upon him in the maintenance of which they must assist with their united strength. I pledge, in advance my best energies to uphold the cause of our political faith. And I will pledge my honorable efforts to defend the Virginia citadel of constitutionism, which, you know, no one assaulted; from without and within, as it presents, and which, we must all have in mind, has never yet surrendered. That memory will insure victory, or we will prove recreant to the past.

With acknowledgments to you, individually, and more for the expression of your kindness, I am your obliged friend and fellow-citizen,

HENRY A. WISE.

DEATH OF A REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER.—Another of the few, very few survivors of our Revolutionary struggle, has gone to his rest. Major ROBERT BURNETT, of Newburg, was buried on Saturday. Among the mourners was a comrade, UZIAL KNAPP, now 96 years old, who belonged to WASHINGTON'S Life Guards. MOSES BURNETT, of Syracuse, a son of the deceased was in attendance. Major BURNETT was 92 years old.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

A CARD.—A REPORT OF OUR FAILURE HAVING been very industriously circulated by some enemies or ill-disposed persons, and as there may be some who might credit it with our further inquiry, we deem it our duty to give it contradiction. It is the reverse of true. But the cause that induced the slander does exist and is true enough; that we are selling a great many goods, and that too, as is reported, at extremely low prices. The rain this is working us, however, we are satisfied with, as well as with the success of our undertaking which has met such general approbation. It is also true that we have now on hand for the remainder of the season to clear out a very large stock of Winter Clothing, at prices which may produce many more reports of a like nature.

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THERE IS PROBABLY NO MORE COMMON COMPLAINT THAN this. The term is used in a popular sense to express a torpid state of the liver, the bile being left in the blood, to the injury of the system, and producing the distress of the patient. The bowels, also, from want of the bile to move them, are out of the state of what is the treatment generally adopted by physicians to dispose of a case of this kind? Why their eternal blue pills—mercurial pills! the mention of which makes the one cry when pain don't know what it is for—it will suffice to fill the patient of his present trouble; and, with no regard to the disastrous effects that follow the use of such pills, it is taken in to add to the misery of the patient. The physician, if the patient thinks the treatment at fault, An eminent house, (after having tested on pieces of meat, every on the tooth of a diseased person, who had been in the habit of taking blue pills,) said to us, "Proceed upon the theory in any form to a violent poison." RADWAY'S Regulating Pills are not a violent poison, but a mild, yet on the liver that the blue pill has, are far more pleasant in their action, and entirely free from the disagreeable effects of this poisonous drug. Let persons that are troubled with biliousness, costiveness, be recommended to Radway's Regulators. One to five regulate the liver, skin, kidneys and bowels—three to six purge.

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THE GHOST OF THE HALF-WAY HOUSE, BY EVE WALKER, is printed entire in the TRUE FLAG for the coming week. The book narrated in this interesting and exceedingly interesting story can be had on or the first evening of the publication. The Flag, also, contains several shorter tales and sketches. The Ghost of a Cigarette—The Broken Arm—Sister Ann, &c. &c. Sold by all the Newsmen and Periodical Dealers, or four copies by

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TO BE IN FASHION YOU SHOULD PURCHASE a Jet of PERRAM'S Thread Enterprise Gloves, Tricots, and visit the Burlington Opera House, No. 637 Broadway. These tickets entitle the holder to a ticket of admission to the Burlington Opera House, and the holder is entitled to come a check also in one hundred thousand splendid gifts. No such opportunity is offered elsewhere of combining profit with amusement.

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"The furs that warms the monarch, warms the peer,
Now in the Winter of our discontent
Made glorious Summer by the Furs of Ehrich."

Muff, Sleigh Robes, Buffalo Overcoats, &c., at lower and cheaper assortment—for sale by EHRICH, the Hatter, No. 178 Fulton-st., and No. 128 Broadway.

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GREAT BARGAINS TO BE HAD IN CHICKERING'S Pianos to-day. We have on hand the largest assortment in the United States. Both Grand and Square Pianos at extremely low prices. Second-hand Pianos at extremely low prices. Pianos to rent. Call and examine and be convinced.

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NEW MUSIC.—THE LATEST POPULAR SONG and Chorus is "Willie Nellie's Secret," by Stephen C. Foster; dedicated to the Chorus Club of Philadelphia. Price 25 cents. Published by HORACE WATERS, No. 333 Broadway.

THE SMITHSONIAN HOUSE—ON THE BUNKER HILL, Broadway, corner of Bleecker-st.—Boarding, at reduced rates, and with perfect satisfaction, at additional. The proprietor invites the patronage of Boston as well as other Strangers. See advertisement under head of Boston in this paper.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, WILL BOARD A STRANGER A GENTLEMAN, with a private family, and teach an English and German education, at $4 per week, at No. 87 Bleecker-st.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Attorney, No. 17 Nassau-st.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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[illegible] Order in [illegible] against Foreigners, not against Catholics, how happy it [illegible] Government directed against the Government.

In short, I am prepared to prove the point, I take it as obvious, and hold it to be proved, that the Order is nothing else than an arrangement made by one set of Christians for hunting another out, according to the ancient cursing traditions of true religion: and that it is to be dealt with accordingly.

In my next letter I shall try to indicate how the hunted party may endeavor to spoil the sport. Adieu,

YOURS, &c. JOHN MITCHEL.

A Brown Land Speculation—Douglas and Forney's Interests in Nebraska.

From the Cincinnati Leader, Dec. 1.

Everybody likes into news, fresh news, startling, immense news. Well, we have an "item" that may make some people stare and pull their eyes open some. Our sources of information are direct, and, we believe, reliable. The collateral and circumstantial evidence thoroughly confirms its truth.

It seems that a copartnership was formed last Summer between STEPHEN ARNOLD DOUGLAS, of Illinois; BIRD CHAPMAN, ex-Special Mail Agent; FORNEY, editor Washington *Union*, and Clerk of House of Representatives; JOSEPH W. GRAY, Postmaster of Cleveland, and WILLIAM GREEN, of Elyria, Ohio, and one other party, whose name we forget.

This Company of political brethren and immaculate patriots have secured the refusal of a $50,000 purchase of Indian Missionary Reservation lands in Nebraska territory; $5,000 has been paid down as forfeit money, in case the Company should not pay the residue at the time stipulated. Since the death of Governor BURT, his Secretary, CUMMING, is acting Governor *pro tem.*, until the President fills the vacancy. The influence of the land jobbers aforesaid is being concentrated on the President to induce him to appoint CUMMING permanent Governor of the Territory. The understanding or bargain is, that in case the Company aforesaid succeed in having him returned as Governor, he agrees to locate the seat of Government at the village of Belleville, on the lands purchased by the Company, which, as a matter of course, will vastly enhance their value, to the enrichment of the said DOUGLAS, GRAY & Co. The honesty and morality of the bargain and sale is a matter we will not stop here to review. It is enough to know that it is *par excellence* democratic.

It is understood that CHAPMAN is to be the treasurer and financier of the scheme. Furthermore, he will be brought out as a candidate for delegate to Congress from the territory, and will receive all the influence of DOUGLAS to secure his election. It is considered that with him in Congress the lands and corner lots could be sold to better advantage, as well with an eye to further landed speculations. CHAPMAN is sending a press over to the territory, which is to be DOUGLAS's organ there, and to have bestowed upon it all the public printing of the territory. Whether the company will advocate the introduction of slavery under the "popular sovereignty" jaggle, we are not advised. The *Dealer* recently contained an editorial lauding CUMMING, and urging his appointment as Governor of Nebraska.

CHAPMAN has resigned his special mail agency, and has spent considerable time with DOUGLAS in Illinois, making speeches in the State before the election in favor of the vitiation of the Missouri Compromise. He had also been in the Nebraska Territory for several weeks, on some land speculation, as was known.

If the company succeed with their scheme, our neighbor of the *Dealer* will make his pile. It is a large operation, and a bold more, but the rogues, we are told, are well laid. A half million of dollars is the very least, we are informed, the company expect to clear in the speculation. We have further particulars, which we withhold to-day.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—Several children on returning from school yesterday afternoon, stopped to play around the Phœnix works, and climbing upon a pile of lumber, by the side of a shaft which was in rapid motion, the shawl of MARY ALTHEN—a girl of eleven years of age, residing at No. 126 Mulberry street—was caught by it, and her body whirled around, at a fearful rate, with each revolution. At every turn her limbs came in contact with the lumber, producing a compound fracture in one of them, so that the bones protruded through the flesh. The other limb was broken above and below the knee, and the ankle was very much bruised. Her hair, which was braided, was completely torn out by the roots on one side of her head, while the scalp was cut down to the skull, which was slightly scuffed by the contusion. The workmen became aware of her dreadful situation by the obstruction it caused to the machinery, and on investigating the cause, discovered her in the condition described. The shaft was immediately stopped, and having been released, she was taken into the dwelling adjoining, and was taken from thence to her residence, at Messrs. KING & CHANG, where her wounds were dressed by Doctors DOD and KING. She was considered in a critical situation last evening, but was more comfortable this morning.—*Newark Daily Advertiser, Nov. 30.*

PRIZE FIGHT STOPPED.—The Philadelphia correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, writing, Dec. 2, says: "This morning, a Mrs. SAWYER made affidavit, at the Mayor's office, that her son Jas. A. SAWYER, was about to engage in such a fight as was described, as she had reason to believe, and she asked the interference of the police to prevent it. A warrant was issued and placed in the hands of High Constable SEBB, who arrested the alleged prize-fighter as he was about stepping ashore from one of the Camden ferry boats. It is said he was training in New-Jersey. SAWYER was taken to the Mayor's Office, and held in $1,000 for a bearing on Monday.

☞ A serious accident happened on the 20th ult. at Poughkeepsie. A rifle company paraded the streets, and cannons were fired in honor of them. One of the wads struck a person by the name of WISE, the wad taking effect just in front of the right ear, near the temple. He was picked up and taken to the Monterey House, where the wad was extricated and the wound dressed.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—FRIDAY.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—Nos. 65, 77, 13 to 15.

SUPREME COURT—*Circuit.*—Nos. 2447, 2073, 2049, 2561, 2128, 2814, 693, 2067 to 1069, 1071 to 1081.

SUPREME COURT—*Special Term.—Part II.*—Nos. 41 to 44, 46 to 56.

SUPREME COURT.—Nos. 102, 402, 409, 326, 3, 4, 1165, 265, 286, 22, 235, 719, 450, 1207, 1003, 600, 602, 1002, 1169, 1269, 50, 269, 424, 1236, 56, 628, 968, 27, 190, 926, 602, 320.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.—Nos. 1018, 1400, 1401, 1400, 1501, 1503 to 1505, 1507.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Before Mitchell, P. J., Roosevelt and Clerke.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP—AGREEMENT—INJUNCTION.

LeRoy vs. Lowber.—Where a written agreement for the dissolution of a partnership was made on a Saturday, "to take effect" on the Monday following, and certain machinery by the terms of it was to go to one of the parties, under the idea that the estate, without such machinery, amounted to over $60,000, and it was discovered in the interval by both parties that this was an entire mistake, and that the whole assets, including machinery, fell short by more than $5,000 of the supposed amount, and the machinery was accordingly delivered to the other party—if, under such circumstances, a suit at law is afterwards brought on the original agreement, for the avoidance of the mistake, a Court of Equity, even after trial and judgment in the Court of Law, will issue a perpetual injunction to stay the further prosecution of such suit, and will make a decree to compel the party to reform the written contract, and to perform specially the implied parol agreement subsequently made by him to do so. The verdict and judgment in such case, his equitable defense not having been allowed in the Courts of Law, will be no estoppel.

The opinion of the Court was delivered at Albany by ROOSEVELT, J.—The leading object of this suit is to correct an alleged mistake in a certain agreement between Lowber and Leroy, set forth in the complaint. It seems, before the new code, such Leroy for an alleged breach of the agreement in the Superior Court; and the latter sought in that Court and under the old system of practice, to reform the agreement by way of defense, which, as the law then stood, not being equitable, he was the aggressive bill in equity for the same purpose, praying also for a temporary, to be followed in the end by a permanent, injunction to stay all further proceedings at law in the action in the Superior Court. The controversy arose out of the dissolution of a partnership between Lowber, claiming that Leroy, by the agreement, was to have paid certain debts; this Leroy denied; and it appeared on a compromise to be substantially admitted that the property which was to make the payment, although Lowber's by the original letter of their agreement, was his (Leroy's) by the time of the case and by the time of the actual understanding of the parties.

The Articles of dissolution are in the form of letters, one from Lowber, containing his proposition to Leroy; and the other from Leroy, containing his answer to Lowber—and both dated 4th of April, (Saturday,) 1846.

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MARKET REPORTS.

MARKETS—*Carefully Reported for N. Y. Daily Times.*

THURSDAY, Dec. 7—5 P. M.

ASHES—There were 60 bbls. sold to-day at $7 for Pearls, and $4 75 for Pots, ⅌ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Rio not varied. About 600 bags Rio changed hands at 9½@10½c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—Is rather dull and heavy, the day's sales not exceeding 600 bales, within our range:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Upl'd.	Florida.	Mobile.	N.O.&T.
Ordinary	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Middling	8½	8½	8	8½
Middling Fair	9½	9½	9½	10
Fair	10	10	10	10½

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands continue in tolerably brisk demand both for home use and export, and as there is low offering, prices are very firm and advancing. The day's sales consist of 9,000 bbls. We quote:

Superfine, No. 2	$5 25 @ 5 75
Extra do.	5 50 @ 5 [illegible]
Straight State	5 [illegible] @ 5 [illegible]
Favorite State	5 37½ @ 5 50
Mixed Western	5 50 @ 5 [illegible]
Common to good Indiana and Michigan	5 62½ @ 5 [illegible]
Fancy Michigan	5 87½ @ 5 [illegible]
Common to good Ohio	5 62½ @ 5 [illegible]
Fancy Ohio	5 87½ @ 5 [illegible]
Extra Ohio	5 25 @ 5 [illegible]
Extra Indiana and Michigan	5 25 @ 5 [illegible]
Fancy Genesee	5 75 @ 5 [illegible]
Extra Genesee	5 50 @ 5 [illegible]

The transactions in superfine Canadian extend 1,500 bbls. at $5 75@$5 87½, in bond, and $5 25@$5 75, free, ⅌ bbl.—showing a steady market. Southern is without any essential change. The day's movements add no feature of interest. Rye flour is low, tainted to good straight; and $4 25@$4 37½ for fancy to fine family and extra, ⅌ bbl. Galena and Hazlett's extra is scarce, and quoted at $6 75 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour and Corn Meal remain as last noticed.

FRUIT—This day's sales comprise 500 boxes dry Bunch Raisins at $3 25; 400 half boxes do. do. at $1 45; and 2,000 boxes do. do., by auction, at $3 34, cash.

GRAIN—Wheat is rather quiet, but remains firm. The day's sales embrace 2,000 bush. prime Canadian white, free, at $2 15. Rye is scarce and wanted at $1 40 ⅌ bush. Barley and Oats appear as previously reported. Corn is more inquired for, and prices have brought more money. The day's operations consist of only 35,000 bush., chiefly Western mixed, at 72c.@73c.; with small lots of Northern round yellow at 76c. ⅌ bush.

HAY—There have been 500 bales river bought at yesterday's quotations.

HOPS—We heard that 57 bales new found buyers to-day at 24c @26c. ⅌ lb.

IRON—Only 50 tons Scotch Pig were taken at $34½@$35, usual credit, per ton.

LATHS—Eastern rule very dull and heavy at $2 ⅌ thousand.

LIME—Rockland is more sought after, at 85c. for common and $1 12½ for Lump ⅌ bbl.

LUMBER—Pitch Pine is in good demand; 150 bdls. New-Orleans realized 25c.@26c. ⅌ gallon.

OILS—Whale and Sperm are generally unaltered. Olive appears quiet, but firm. 100 baskets were taken $2 45, short time. Linseed is pretty freely dealt in at 61c @62c. ⅌ gallon. Lard oil is about the same.

PROVISIONS—Pork is not very brisk, but is tending upwards. The day's transactions comprise 500 bbls. at $14 for Mess and $12 50 for prime ⅌ bbl. Prepared Hams are unchanged. There were 30 dozens Cut Meats sold at 4½c. for Shoulders and 7½c.@7½c. for Hams ⅌ lb. Lard is in moderate request at steady rates. 400 bbls. fair to prime realized 10c.@10½c. for new, and 10½c @10½c. for old ⅌ lb. Beef has not varied. 370 bbls. were disposed of at $5 50@$7 for Country Prime; $6@$6 25 for Country Mess; $15 for repacked Chicago Mess, and $15@$16 for extra Chicago Mess ⅌ bbl. Beef Hams, Butter and Cheese are not materially varied.

RICE—A very limited business has been transacted in this Rice at 5c for inferior, to $5 25 for prime, ⅌ 100 lbs.

SUGAR—This day's operations have been confined to 100 hhds. Cuba at private bargain; and 70 hhds. New-Orleans at 5½c.@6c. ⅌ lb.—showing a quiet and tenacious market.

TALLOW—We heard of sales of 30,000 lbs. Country and City rendered prime, at 10½c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Ohio and Prime Whisky in octave, and bbl. above the views of buyers. Sales transpired of 200 bbls. Drudge at 45c., cash, and 48c., time, &c., ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—For Liverpool, the engagements include of 10,000 bushels Corn, 42c. cash; 1,000 bales Cotton at ⅝d. ⅌ lb.; 50 barrels Rosin, 16c.; and 100 tons Lagwood in bbls. ⅌ ton. For London, the engagements amounted to 800 tons Flour at 5s., usual rate of Hops at 35s. ⅌ lb., and Oil Cake at 20s. ⅌ ton. For Glasgow, there were taken 500 bbls. Flour at 5s. For other ports, we heard of no further engagements.

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For the past week as all the principal markets named above.

Beeves	3,000	Swine	4,000
Veals	200	Milk Cows	200
Sheep and Lambs	14,000		

RECEIPTS BY RAILROAD.

	Beeves.	Sheep.	Swine.
Beeves	340	300	500
Veals	107	15	—
Milk Cows	5	30	—
Sheep and Lambs	1,170	300	500
Swine	300	4,000	—

BEEVES.

The contention arising from the change of the market-day has well nigh ceased, with the attention of the obstinate butchers—some of whom, it may be remarked, only manifest their ugly tempers when they have to pay for their beeves in the space of five weeks; therefore the dissatisfaction this class of customers give utterance to is of little weight; and by the looks of the yards last Monday, those who were to support the Monday party by cash purchases of the 107 head offered were not on the ground.

There is some talk of a compromise to Wednesday, though not immediately; and as we stated last week satisfactory arrangements could be made with the Erie Road, there only remain alterations to be made at Philadelphia to conform to the same, as this market controls that to a great extent.

We report 1,863 fresh stock at market to-day and the receipts of the week as follows:

At Allerton's	1,640
At O'Brien's	281
At Brewster's	300
At Chamberlain's	480
By Hudson River Boats	75
Total	3,876
Received the previous week	9,510

There were offered at ALLERTON'S to-day 419 less cattle than on our last market day, and not withstanding the decrease there was little spirit exhibited on the part of buyers, who were less numerous than on last Thursday, owing no doubt, to the large quantities of Pork, Mutton, and Poultry pressing for sale, which has curtailed the consumption of Beef considerably of late, as certain laboring classes are not able to eat it at present prices, and of course seek cheaper, more economical food, as it is well known that one pound of Pork will go as far as a pound and a half of Beef.

The cattle were of a fair average quality, with some extra, realizing 10½c. ⅌ lb., though this was a rare occurrence, the quotations of last week being barely sustained. Some lots as usual were of a very mean character, looking as if they had strayed here, or the owners in sending them here for beeves were laboring under a great mistake.

The supplies in market this week were from:

New-York	32	Kentucky	157
Pennsylvania	323	Connecticut	54
Ohio	172	New-Jersey	11
Illinois	116		

PRICES.

(Estimated by the pound in the quarters.)

Extra quality Beef, 9c.@9½c. ⅌ lb.; Common quality Beef...7½c.@8c. Good quality Beef, 8½c.@9c.; Inf. quality Beef...6c. @7c.

We noticed by—

CULVER, HURD & CO., 64 head Steers, from Ross County, Ohio, grass-fed, some of them fine Beeves, and some common. 12 of the best sold at an average of $100 a head, and the remainder at 9c.@10c. ⅌ lb. Also 78 head from Livingston County, this State, ordinary quality, averaging 6½ cwt., and selling in lots at 8c.@9c. ⅌ lb.

GEORGE TOPPEN had 90 head from Madison County, Ky., owned by FRANKLIN LIVINGSTON, average 7½ cwt. here, and full 8 cwt. at Cincinnati. This lot was described 10 hours on Central Road, by the means of poor engines. We have been hearing of a number of such complaints recently of this nature, also of putting part of a drove on one train and another, thereby placing the cattle out of the control of the owner, and involving him in extra expense. Mr. LIVINGSTON says his cattle don't look like the same—and has lost full $5 a head by the detention. Mr. Sup. intendent, we hope to see this remedied. These were of fair quality and sold at 9c.@11c. ⅌ lb. He sold 114 head, part full-blooded Durhams, fatted by ISAAC VAN MATER, Jr., of Kentucky, at Albany, to a Brighton man at $77,000, which is an average of $67 a head.

SIMON UREY had 97 head, grass fed, from Chester County, Penn., of the same quality as last week, averaging full 7½ cwt., and the best realized 9½c.

Mr. AVRAULT, 55 head from Green County, Ohio, owned by BIRDS & Co. These were in fine rate condition, smooth and fleshy. Seven sold to ANDERSON, of Fulton Market at $87 50, averaging nearly 9 cwt., and 50 head, part to FRANSELL and part to CONNELL, at $74. Also 45 from Livingston County, this State, and sold in lots at our quoted prices.

J. H. CARPENTER had 24 head from Steuben County, N. Y., of middling fair quality; 15 head of the best sold at an average of $87 a head, and about 9 cwt., which is quite 10c. ⅌ lb.

Jos. WILLIAMS offers 60 head from Pickaway County, Ohio, owned by RUTTER. These were small stock and main sent here to sell for stores, but are passable for Beef.

Mr. WHITE had 70 Chester County Cattle, of fair average quality, weighing 7 cwt.; 35 head were purchased by JAMES IRWIN at $67 a head, average 8½ cwt.

Mr. MERRITT had 100 head from the same section, average 7 cwt., and sold at 9c.@9½c. ⅌ lb. Also, 11 oxen from Westchester; one pair, extra quality, sold at $210; would weigh 19 cwt.

ALVAN MEAD—44 head from Greenwich, Conn., of the native stock, selling in parcels at 9½c.@10c.; 10 fine oxen sold at $220; averaging 9 cwt.

MILK COWS.

The supplies are over 100 less this week, and the decline of last week has been recovered to-day. The brothers are on sale, but those arrivings are generally all sold, many finding their way into the brothers' hands. We quote ordinary to good cows at $[illegible]@$36, and fair to extra with Calf at $40@$50.

The following is the number received:

At Allerton's	0	At Brewster's	80
At O'Brien's	60	At Chamberlain's	114
Total			305
Received last week			339

The supply has fallen off considerably, only 107 having come over the Harlem Road, the main source of supplies, and good Calves are in demand at 5c.@6½c., and 7c. is obtained for extra quality. The receipts, not including those with Milk Cows, are as follows:

At Allerton's	107	At Brewster's	47
At O'Brien's	40	At Chamberlain's	35
Total			229
Received the previous week			451

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

Large supplies have crowded in, and at BREWSTER'S there were nearly 5,000 in the pens this morning, and inferior Sheep difficult of sale. The quality is fair, and the prospect not very promising for the coming week. At ALLERTON'S we noticed some fine Kentucky, Leicester and Southdown, from Dutchess County, which met with ready sale at 7½@9½c. We quote common Sheep at 6½ @7½c.; good, 8@8½c.; and Lambs at 8½@9½c. The following sales will give a better idea of prices:

By Brewster's.			
Sales by Drove.			
52 mixed	4½	70	$1[illegible] 85
25 lambs	6	50	81 sheep	$379 50
226 sheep and lambs	4½	37	121 sheep	321 00
107 sheep	6½	50	121 sheep	279 50
			107 sheep	347 37
Total			577	$1,704 [illegible]

Average per head, $2 96.

AT CHAMBERLAIN'S.

SWINE.

The supplies are abundant, but good Hogs are readily taken by packers at $6 25@$6 37½, and occasionally $6 50 is obtained, dead weight. The number reached nearly 5,000 over the Erie Road, but most of these go direct to the slaughter-house. Hogs continue good prices at the West, which may effect our receipts ere long.

Ordinary are selling at 4½c.@4½c., live weight. At the Union Drove Yards, Mr. DOMMER reports sales of 3,000 Ohio, corn-fed, 4½c. average; 141 this State, at 5c.; Ohio, fed and 2d State, still fed, at 4½c. These are dull. Prices are unchanged from last week.

We annex the number received: At ALLERTON'S, 1,569; at Union Drove Yards, 4,376. Total, 5,945. Received the previous week, 6,198.

SHEEP AND LAMBS.

The receipts are as follows:

At Allerton's	1,778	At Chamberlain's	7,800
At Brewster's	4,936		
Total			14,514
Received last week			12,413

CHINA TEA STORE.—J. YOUNG XE-QUAY, in one day proclamation to the inhabitants of the city of BROOKLYN, situated on the beautiful Bay of New-York, on whose waters sail the great ships of the world, produces his tea, which, in the TWELFTH NIGHT, has sent his hundred and ten nations, has been laid, by long gray, in and proclaim by design of selling for sale the products of the Celestial Empire. I have with me much Tea, Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate, &c., of the choicest gathering, which I will give your four months prices of gold and silver, and may health, joy and length of days attend you. All you who want the finest, choicest flavored Tea, come to me, and you shall have the pleasure that Chinese tea produces. Also, a beautiful assortment of

Lacquer-ware Work tables,	Japan-ware Tea Caddies,
Lacquer-ware Cocoa tables,	Chinese Lanterns,
Lacquer-ware Work boxes,	Ornamental Glass Figures,
Lacquer-ware Tea Caddies,	Fans and Toys,
Lacquer-ware Checker boards,	Gentlemen Jars,
Lacquer-ware Writing-desks,	Bedding Bowlers,
Flower Vases of every size and shape,	Chinese Shawls, Tapestry,
Chinese Silks for Scarves,	Chinese Chin-chinas,
Flowered Fans,	Wrought Silver Brooches,
Sandal-wood Fans,	Feather Fans.

All these CHINA I—My place of trade is at the corner of Atlantic-st. and Court-st., Brooklyn.

NOTICE.—The undersigned has been appointed assignee for the benefit of creditors of the property and effects of the late copartnership of JULIAN ALLEN & CO., and requests all persons indebted to said firm to make immediate payment to him at his office, No. [illegible] Maiden-lane, New-York City, or to CHARLES H. KYLE, assignee.

NOTICE.—The undersigned has been appointed assignee for the benefit of creditors of the property and effects of RICHARD WAY PORTER, and requests all persons indebted to the concern to make payment to him at his office, No. 8 Pine-street, and all claims against him to be presented to him.—New-York, Nov. 6, 1854. A. E. BELLOWS, Assignee, No. 10 Pine-st.

INSTRUCTION.

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MRS. L. S. BREWSTER'S SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, No. [illegible] Madison-st., will commence Nov. 20.

PIANO-FORTE.—A young lady would attend a pupil at her residence, or receive the pupil at hers, on reasonable terms. Apply at No. 61 Henry-st.

DANCING.

A. PODWORTH'S DANCING ACADEMY, No. 292 Broadway, opposite Hudson-st., is now open for the reception of pupils, who may commence at any hour. Ladies and children, on WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 11 and 4 o'clock P. M.; gentlemen on MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, and every other FRIDAY, at 7 o'clock P. M. Dancing Assemblies on SATURDAY EVENINGS for Young Gentlemen and Ladies. Hours and terms of instruction, can be had at the Academy at any time, or will be sent by post.

FOR SALE.

HOUSES FOR SALE OR TO LET.—The five new three-story houses, Nos. 11, 13, 15, 17 and 19, East 29th-st., a few doors west of 5th-av. They are replete with all the modern improvements, gas, water, marble mantels and Croton water, from cost to South street; lay windows, cut glass fronts, &c. Situated between two railroads (the 4th and 5th-avs.). Price moderate if sold on application on the premises, or to the undersigned. Terms to suit purchasers, if only to good tenants. Inquire of SAMUEL SPARKS, No. 61 West 24th-st., or W. E. & W. SPARKS, corner of Lexington-av and 24th-st.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE IN BROOKLYN.—Three story and basement brick house, marble mantles, gas, &c., in good condition, with lot 25 feet front, 100 deep, 5th door northward Atlantic-st., being only ten minutes' walk from the South Ferry, and convenient to Wall-st. and Fulton ferries. Possession can be given on the 1st of Dec. and mortgage. Apply of the owner on the premises. Possession immediately if required.

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CHARLES LAMBERT.

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THREE HANDSOME FAMILY HOUSES TO LET IN BROOKLYN.

Within five minutes' walk of the Wall-st. Ferry.

THESE HOUSES are of modern construction, and in the vicinity of Fulton-st., between Fulton-st. and Willoughby-st., and on the block of the Willoughby Market, and in a most beautiful part of the city.

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Inquire of EDWARDS PIERREPONT, No. 27 Wall-st., or at the Houses.

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AT THE EMPIRE WORKS, foot of East 20th-st., New-York. Both steam and power connected for any establishment or business that may require it. Apply to SLOAN & TAYLOR, before 10 A. M. and after 3 P. M.

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HOUSE TO LET.—No. 27 Bond-st., and furniture for sale. Rent, $500. The family now occupying the house may be disposed to remain as boarders, if agreeable.

STORES OR WAREHOUSE TO LET.—In the new story of Apollo Building, Broadway, corner of Bond-st., most convenient stores on Broadway, suited to every description of retail or wholesale business. No more desirable location to be found on Broadway. Apply to D. AP PLETON & CO., No. 346 and 348 Broadway.

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ATTENTION.—Is respectfully invited to our extensive assortment of superior PIANO-FORTES at our new and spacious warerooms, No. 481 Broome-st., to their demand for our unrivalled instruments, have been filled up with great regard to the convenience of our customers without and patronage.

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CONSIGNMENT SALE OF PIANOS.—From the City authority, in plain and fancy cases, from $[illegible] to $[illegible] without, with or rent to sell at a great reduction from the factory prices. Pianos warranted for one year. Also, a few Pianos of superior tone, for sale cheap. Pianos from $50 to $150. Pianos of our own manufacture constantly on hand. Apply at the manufactory and warerooms.

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BENNETT & CO., No. 365 Broadway.

A GREAT BARGAIN.—A splendid 7-octave $350 rosewood piano for Sale; been used but two months; made by the best City makers, perfect in all respects, and fully warranted; cabinet furniture, carved legs, gilt and fluted mouldings. It can be seen at No. 56 Varick-st., from 10 o'clock until 3 P. M.

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The New-York Daily Times

Thursday, December 7, 1854

NEW-YORK CITY.

[illegible] monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held at the Merchants' Bank yesterday afternoon, the President, Mr. Prescott, in the Chair. The Secretary being absent, Mr. Howard was elected to fill the vacancy pro tem.

Notice being given to the reading and approval of the minutes of the last meeting, the President announced that the first business in order was the election of new members, two of whom—viz., Joshua and James B. Smith—had been proposed. On the ballots being taken, both gentlemen were declared duly elected.

The next business in order was the election of Mr. N. H. Ocosier, to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Arbitration, occasioned by the termination of Mr. Abner G. Phelps' term, as member of such Committee.

Reports from Committees were next called up. Mr. Randolph, of the Special Committee on the Navy Laws, reported progress, and stated that the action already taken by them promised success.

Communications were next read from Douglass Lispenard, Actuary of the Mercantile Library, in reference to the Mercantile Library Association. It was referred to the Committee on the Mercantile Library. From Mr. Vanderbilt, son of ex-Governor Vroom, of New-Jersey, asking for the influence of the Board, in procuring for him the office of Purser in the Navy. The Board decided that they could not act officially on the subject. From Henry S. Rogers, of Baltimore, enclosing a book containing some important improvements in signal lights. Referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Hoyt, Osgood and Philips.

Mr. Parsons offered a resolution in reference to a lighthouse on Cape Race, and moved that the President of the Board be requested to solicit our Government to communicate with the British Government in reference thereto, and report the result of such communication to the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Walter R. James then made some remarks relative to the safety of the Arctic Expedition which was fitted out and sailed from this port, under Commodore Kane, in May, 1853, and submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of this Chamber be requested to prepare a memorial to Congress, to be signed by the officers, requesting an appropriation of a sufficient sum to officer, man and fully equip, and to purchase if necessary, a steam propeller and a store-ship, with supplies, to sail under the orders and direction of the Secretary of the Navy to such places in the Polar Seas as may be thought proper, for the purpose of affording relief to the survivors of Elisha Kane's Arctic expedition, who left this port in May, 1853, in the brig *Advance*, for Baffin's Bay, and also with a view to the discovery and relief of Sir John Franklin and the crew of the vessel which had previously left England, then considered missing with the whole expedition.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Brown stated that there was a number of gentlemen in this City who had recently formed themselves into a society for the relief of shipwrecked sufferers on our coast, and recommended that the Chamber of Commerce cooperate with them, and take measures to supply necessary boats, &c., for the safety of persons wrecked on our coast. No definite action was taken by the Board in reference to the matter.

Mr. J. P. Phenix submitted the model of a new life-boat for the inspection of the Board.

The Chamber on motion then adjourned.

Escape of Two Burglars—Conviction on the Recognition of a Stocking.

Two burglars, named James Gillmore and Charles Dean, were yesterday sentenced in the Court of Sessions to the Sing Sing State Prison, for the term of ten years and six months. It seems the rogues recently broke into the dwelling-house of William C. Wetmore, Esq., in Fourth-street, stole various literary works and articles of clothing, with which they made their escape, and were subsequently arrested by Captain George W. Matsell, at No. 6 Bayard-street. Scarcely less than seven a trial of robbers in our City, that resulted in a conviction and sentence on the recognition of so trifling an article as in this case. One of the culprits pleaded guilty, and the other demanded a trial. It was found by the prosecuting officer that there was not sufficient testimony to convict him, but the rogues proved otherwise. The principal point urged against the offender, was the finding of a little stocking, valued at a few cents, which was identified by a member of Mr. Wetmore's family. This fact being clearly established, the Jury at once rendered a verdict of guilty, and several of the spectators were heard to whisper about the Courtroom, "My good gracious, send a man to State Prison ten years for stealing a stocking."

The New City Hall.

In the Board of Aldermen, last evening, on motion of Alderman Howard, the Report of the Special Committee on the subject of building the new City Hall (already published) was taken up.

Alderman O. H. Tucker moved to recommit, but the motion was lost.

Alderman Herrick moved that the specifications in the first Report be omitted, and that the plans of Martin E. Thompson be approved.

The motion was lost, and further consideration of the subject was postponed.

Columbia College.

Within the last two years Columbia College has lost, by death, three of her oldest Alumni: Wm. Lupton, aged 82, who graduated in 1789; John L. Norton, aged 80, who graduated in 1793; and William Tuke, aged 77, who graduated in 1795.

Sec. Contracts.

The Board of Aldermen took action last evening, upon the subject of appointing Elias L. Smith, Esq., to the Presidency of the Croton Aqueduct Board. The matter was called up by Alderman Vocanse, of the Ninth Ward, and a vote was immediately taken on the question. The gentleman was nominated last July by Mayor Westervelt, and the Board have now rejected him by a vote of 10 to 7. The contract will probably not be filled, until after the organization of the new City Government.

Hobbling an Alderman in the Chambers.

Last evening, while Alderman Woodward, of the Seventh Ward, was acting as President pro tempore of the Board, some "lobby member" had the impudence to carry off the City Father's new and costly overcoat. The Alderman had received the garment from his tailor but a few hours previous, and when called to the Chair he left it hanging on the back of his seat. Look sharp for your overcoats during this bitter cold weather.

The Emigrant Instructions.

Messrs. Verplanck, Cheney and Barr—the Committee of the Senate appointed at the last session of the Legislature to examine into the condition of the Board of Commissioners of Emigration, and report thereon,—made a formal visit to the Emigrant Instructions on Staten Island yesterday. They were accompanied by Mr. Verplanck, President, and Mr. James Kelly, member of the Board of Commissioners, by Hon. Thomas R. Whitney, member of Congress elect, Simeon Draper, Esq., President of the Merchants' Exchange, and by several mercantile gentlemen from this City.

The Institution went carefully and minutely examined in every particular, and the Committee evidently derived much information relative thereto which will doubtless prove very suggestive when they come to report to the Senate.

After the examination had been gone through with, the visitors sat down to a collation, and partook thereof with a relish under keen by the biting breeze of the day.

Toasts were offered and responses made. President Verplanck said the Board of which he had the honor of being President, had faithfully discharged, and the Board of Senate Committee, who had visited the Institution and seen for themselves its practical workings, would point out frankly any mismanagement on the part of the Commissioners of any kind coming under their notice, and he was sure a remedy would be applied. He did not mean to say that all was being done that might be done for the emigrants. They were yet liable to extortion and suffering. But the Commissioners were not responsible for this. They were doing all that the law empowered them to do. But the law relative to the powers of the Commissioners of Emigration was susceptible of much improvement. The amendments needed the Committee were already aware of, and he was sure the gentlemen composing that Committee would not fail to press them on the attention of the body of which they were members, and that they would be speedily adopted.

Each of the Committee made appropriate responses.

Hon. Thos. R. Whitney made some felicitous remarks, and Mr. Kelly spoke briefly and aptly in behalf of the Commissioners of Emigration.

At 5 o'clock the company started for the City, having spent nearly five hours on the Island.

It may be proper to state here, that there are at the present time but three hundred patients in the Quarantine Hospital on Staten Island; a very small number for this season of the year. In the Winter of 1851, there were between 1,500 and 1,600 patients in the Hospital. Of those now there about 30 are convalescent from cholera, about 50 have the small pox, and there are a few cases of light or typhoid fever. The last three or four emigrant ships had no cholera on board, and there is no probability of there being any more cases of this disease in the institution this season. Still the Commissioners, warned by the experience of past years, are prepared for any unforeseen emergency; they are ready at any time, should it be necessary, to receive into the Hospital 600 additional patients.

This Hospital and the Sailors' Retreat, adjoining, appear to be very neatly and properly kept, and so all the visitors there yesterday expressed themselves.

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Aldermen.... Thursday, Dec. 7.

The Board met last evening, Nathan C. Ely, President, in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

Of Rayner and others, for building City Hall in Madison-square.

Of J. Lawrence, for elevating Croton Water on Murray Hill.

Of Albert E. Smith and others, to be organized as a Hook and Ladder Company, in Yorkville.

By Mr. Herrick:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is he hereby directed to report to this Board at its next meeting his reasons for refusing to pay the draft of the Street Commissioner in favor of John Pettigrew, for $200,000 on account of his contract for regulating and grading "section C," of Second-avenue, in pursuance of a resolution which passed the Common Council July 5, 1853; also why he refused to issue the bonds and pay over to the said John Pettigrew $400,000 as directed by an ordinance of the Common Council passed by the Common Council, and approved by the Mayor Aug. 9, 1853; and also whether any claims have been made upon the City for interest, and to what amount, in consequence of his refusal to pay the contractor in obedience to the above-named resolution and ordinance.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to report at the same time, the reason why he refuses to pay over to John Pettigrew the amount due him upon the assessment list for regulating and grading Second-avenue, which was confirmed by the Common Council on the 22d of November, 1854. And also, by what right or authority he assumes to withhold from Mr. Pettigrew the amount as ascertained to be due him upon his contract for grading Second-avenue until he signs a release of all claims for interest against the city upon money which was directed to be paid by the Common Council of 1853. Adopted.

PETITIONS.

Of citizens to prohibit steam on the Fourth-avenue Railroad.

RESOLUTIONS.

That no locomotive or steam engine be allowed to run on the track of the Harlem or New Haven Railroad Companies, on the Fourth-avenue, after the passage of this ordinance.

Board of Supervisors.

Alderman Blunt in the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

That Jonathan W. Allen be appointed Tax Commissioner for the term of three years, from the termination of his present term of office.

REPORTS ADOPTED.

In favor of paying the bill of William Dodge, for copying the General Index in the office of the Register, $119 25. In relation to the various bills referred to the Committee on County Offices, they report that this Board has no authority to pay the bills, and asked to be discharged from any further action. In favor of paying Edward Bassell $215 50 for work done in the Superior Court.

In favor of paying the bill of W. E. & J. Sotell for books and stationery furnished to the Register's Office, $1,020 50.

In favor of paying the bill of Wm. H. Bell for services as a policeman, $20 56.

From the Committee on Annual Taxes, in relation to the petitions of Henry Banger for relief from taxes assessed in former years; the Board not having power to act thereon. From the same in favor of granting the petitions of E. C. Wilcox and G. B. Andrews for relief from taxes. Adverse to the petition of J. B. Monnet, for relief from tax for the year 1854.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Recorder presented a communication and document from the Board of Education.

After some debate it was moved that the papers be referred to the Committee on Annual Taxes, together with a communication of the Comptroller to the Board of Education, and an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation thereon if copies of these papers can be procured.

☞ John Thompson, Esq., of Poughkeepsie, will lecture this evening before the Young Men's Christian Association.

(Advertisement.)

Life-Size Photographs.—The attention of the public is called to our new style of Daguerreotypes on paper taken in all sizes; the life-size for surpassing, in depth of tone and brilliancy, the most finished painting on canvas. The smaller sizes resembling the most delicate Miniature on Ivory. As to likeness and durability, they are unsurpassed. Parties at a distance, of any size, can be made by the process from Daguerreotypes Taken only by J. Gurney & C. D. Fredricks, No. 46 Rue Bonne de Rampart, Paris, and No. 349 Broadway, New-York.

(Advertisement.)

Where are They!—Who? Which? What? Why, the Performing Bears. Oh! they are at Barnum's Museum, and appear in character this afternoon, between the two dramatic pieces. This evening, the "Orphan of Geneva" is played, as well as a farce. Mr. Jno. E. Scott is engaged to appear at Barnum's on Monday.

(Advertisement.)

The Iceland Pectoral.—Prepared by Dr. Wheelock, at No. 149 Fulton-street, is a certain specific for all those throat and lung difficulties which so often terminate fatally, the result often of a slight cold. Delays are dangerous. Price only 25 cents.

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Phrenology.—Written descriptions of character day and evening. Museum free to visitors. Works on Phrenology, Physiology, Hydropathy, and Phonography, by Fowlers and Wells, No. 308 Broadway.

(Advertisement.)

☞ Get a good Likeness for a Holiday Present. Root, No. 363 Broadway, will give one that is perfect in all respects. Photographs, Crayons and Stereoscopes, taken in any weather.

LONG ISLAND.

The Post-Office.

The consolidation of Williamsburg with Brooklyn will in no way interfere with the Post-Office of this city. The name will continue as at present

NEW-JERSEY.

The Carson League and the Liquor Sellers—The Prosecutions in Discussion.

The current now going on between the Temperance men of Jersey City, through the medium of the "Carson League," and through the instrumentality of the ordinances of the Common Council relative to liquor and taverns, on the one hand, and the Liquor sellers, organized on the other hand, has for a long time past been interesting, but recent events have fomented excitement on the question. The uniform success of the League, in convicting those against whom complaints were made, caused a panic throughout the city among those engaged in the traffic, and the infliction of penalties and the fear of prosecution entirely closed about one hundred and fifty places where liquor was sold, besides causing those who continued their business to operate under great restraint and precaution, which of course was fatal to living profits. The opinion of lawyers was sought—and found to be conducing—the proceedings under which the penalties had been inflicted by the Recorder being pronounced all wrong.

Next followed an appeal to the Supreme Court in two cases to test the constitutionality of the ordinances and the legality of the acts of the Recorder and City Attorney. Another and a more encouraging event to the liquor sellers was the issue of a *certiorari* out of the Supreme Court of the State, by Judge Potts, taking the ordinances of the City out of the control of the Common Council until their constitutionality can be tested. This was regarded by those opposed to the Carson League as a shield to the liquor traffic until the decision is had; and, doors upon which "To Let" had been posted, were thrown open without reserve for the renewal of trade. Less precautions were taken by those who had been continuing their business under restraint, and there was a feeling evident that a decided triumph had been or would be achieved over the Carson League, and over the authorities in the administration of the Municipal law which the liquor dealers denounced as oppressive.

On Tuesday evening last, however, the opponents of the Liquor Traffic received encouragement from the proceedings of the Aldermen, which fully sustains them in their course of hostility to the Liquor Traffic. A lengthy opinion from Judge Dayton, of Trenton, declares the ordinances of Jersey City, under which these prosecutions have been sustained, to be in conformity with the charter of the city, and declares that the city charter does not conflict with the Constitution of the State of New Jersey. The City Attorney and Recorder were also indemnified by the Common Council in all acts which they perform under these ordinances. The expectation of the liquor dealers that the prosecutions against them have ceased are, therefore, fallacious, as it is the determination of the authorities to continue to arraign the alleged offenders upon the long list of complaints made by agents of the Carson League. Indeed it will not be strange if those who have resumed trade in such haste have been caught by some of the spies of the Carson League, and may be arraigned upon fresh charges, and convicted again upon fresh evidence, sustained by fresh "vials of wrath." The result of the whole affair will not soon be arrived at, and sufficient time will elapse for a protracted, exciting and expensive war between the contending parties, at the bar of the Courts and at the ballot box.

Fatal Accident.

A dreadful accident occurred on the turnpike from Newark to New-York, on Tuesday evening, from horses being frightened by the railroad engine, resulting in the death of the driver. It is a sad proof of the impolicy of connecting carriage-ways with a railroad track; and though some accident of the kind has been looked for, we believe this is the first fatal one that has occurred. The Company, we believe, some time since contemplated a removal of the carriage-way from the track between the Hackensack bridge and Bergen Hill, and we hope this painful accident will induce them to cause the separation so long desired to be made at once. As it is, those driving horses of ordinary spirit are compelled to abandon the turnpike, rather than run the risk of encountering the trains at so dangerous a point.

The person killed in the case above-mentioned, was a driver of one of Fahr's Express wagons, named Stephen Crane. He was coming from New-York on Tuesday evening, and when near the Bergen junction with the Erie road, the horses became frightened at an approaching train and started off, upsetting the wagon, which was heavily loaded, and the unfortunate man was killed by a coil of lead, which fell upon his chest, crushing him horribly. The driver of another wagon immediately hastened to his assistance, and carried him to the roadside, where he expired in a few minutes.

[*Newark Advertiser.*

MARRIED.

In this City, on Thursday, Dec. 7, at Calvary Church, by Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., James Pott to Josephine, daughter of the officiating clergyman.

In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Dec. 6, by Rev. Mr. Tyng, Mr. F. De Forest and Miss Martha B. Skinner.

At Flatbush, L. I., on Wednesday morning, Dec. 6, by Rev. Dr. Adams, Mr. H. Berrian, of New-York, to Miss Mary Ann Lefferts, daughter of Mr. Kouwenhoven.

At Rahway, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 6, by Rev. W. W. Comp, D. D., Mr. Conrad Fox, of Philadelphia, to Miss Susan Eliza Golding, of Perth Amboy, N. J.

At Woodside, L. I., on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, by Rev. Mr. Stillwell, J. Augustus Smith, Esq., to Miss Maria F. Walker.

DIED.

In this City, on Thursday, Dec. 7, Elizabeth Almyra, youngest daughter of Samuel E. and Mary Jane Davis, aged 1 year, 6 months and 17 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 312 West-st., on Saturday morning, at 11 o'clock.

In Brooklyn, on Wednesday night, Dec. 6, suddenly, Augustus C. Hammatt, formerly of New-York, aged 37 years.

His remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery this day, Dec. 6, at 3 P. M., and all his friends and relatives are hereby invited to attend his funeral, from No. 82 Lafayette-st., Brooklyn, at the appointed hour. He died in the war with Great Britain.

On Wednesday, Oct. 4, on board steamer Clara, on the passage from Savannah to Havana, Joseph A. Heninger, aged 21 years, only son of John and Eliza Heninger, of New-York City.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets see Sixth Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, Dec. 7.

$5,000 New-York 6s, '56	90	100 Erie Railroad	24½
2,000 Virginia 6s	94	100 Harlem Railroad	9
2,000 California 6s	94	200 do	9
1,000 Illinois 6s	90	100 do	9
1,000 Illinois 6s, int. Mar.	85	100 do	9
1,000 Erie 6s Mid. Exp.	90	100 do	9
2,000 Erie 1st Bonds	94	5 Galena & Chi. R. R.	94
4,000 do	94	100 do	94
2,000 Erie Convertible 7s	86	15 Clev. & Toledo R. R.	72
2,000 Erie 2d's of '55	83	10 Chi. & Rock Is. R. R.	74
10,000 do	83	20 Hudson Riv. R. R.	23½
1,000 do	83	100 do	23½
11,000 Hud. R. Mortgage 6s	62	47 Manhattan Bank	115
1,000 Hud. Canal Bds	52	50 do	115
1,000 do	52	18 Bank of Commerce	99
2,000 Penn's Bds, '64	79	100 Canton Company	47
500 Ill. Cen. R. R. Bds	63½	100 do	47
2,000 do	63	100 Wis. Marine & Fire Ins. Co.	17
2,000 do	63	100 do	17
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2,000 N. Y. Cen. R. R. Bds	90	100 do	17
2,000 do	90	200 Penn Coal Co.	38
2,000 do	90	100 Conch. Coal Co.	34
100 Erie Railroad	24½	110 N. Y. Cen. R. R.	87½
15 do	24½	50 do	87½
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100 do	24½	100 do	87½
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100 do	24½	100 Reading Railroad	60½
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